



# ACRUENCE CAPITAL

## Financial Statements September 30, 2025 (Unaudited)

**Tidal Trust I**

Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF | XVOL | Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc.

## Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF

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**Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF**  
**Consolidated Schedule of Investments**  
**September 30, 2025 (Unaudited)**

<b>COMMON STOCKS - 97.6%</b>	<b>Shares</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Banking - 10.2%</b>		
Associated Banc-Corp	970	\$ 24,939
Prosperity Bancshares, Inc.	426	28,265
Simmons First National Corp.	2,073	39,739
United Bankshares, Inc.	1,049	39,033
US Bancorp	990	47,847
		<u>179,823</u>
<b>Consumer Discretionary Products - 4.6%</b>		
Tapestry, Inc.	359	40,646
Tesla, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	89	39,580
		<u>80,226</u>
<b>Consumer Discretionary Services - 3.3%</b>		
Darden Restaurants, Inc.	121	23,034
TKO Group Holdings, Inc. - Class A	171	34,535
		<u>57,569</u>
<b>Consumer Staple Products - 6.3%</b>		
Altria Group, Inc.	586	38,711
Philip Morris International, Inc.	151	24,492
Universal Corp.	839	46,875
		<u>110,078</u>
<b>Financial Services - 7.3%</b>		
Affirm Holdings, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	477	34,859
CME Group, Inc. - Class A	139	37,557
Robinhood Markets, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	391	55,983
		<u>128,399</u>
<b>Health Care - 2.8%</b>		
Cencora, Inc.	77	24,065
Natera, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	160	25,755
		<u>49,820</u>
<b>Industrial Products - 1.8%</b>		
Curtiss-Wright Corp.	59	32,034
<b>Industrial Services - 3.3%</b>		
AECOM	201	26,225
Fastenal Co.	654	32,072
		<u>58,297</u>
<b>Media - 9.6%</b>		
Booking Holdings, Inc.	6	32,396

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Netflix, Inc. <sup>(a)</sup>	24	\$ 28,774
Nexstar Media Group, Inc. - Class A	186	36,780
ROBLOX Corp. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	285	39,478
Take-Two Interactive Software, Inc.	121	31,261
		<u>168,689</u>

#### **Oil & Gas - 3.0%**

EQT Corp.	479	26,072
Kinder Morgan, Inc.	961	27,206
		<u>53,278</u>

#### **Real Estate - 5.2%**

CareTrust REIT, Inc. - REIT	1,096	38,009
STAG Industrial, Inc. - Class A - REIT	760	26,821
Universal Health Realty Income Trust - REIT	672	26,322
		<u>91,152</u>

#### **Retail & Wholesale - Discretionary - 3.5%**

Chewy, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	668	27,020
Tractor Supply Co.	610	34,691
		<u>61,711</u>

#### **Retail & Wholesale - Staples - 5.1%**

Casey's General Stores, Inc.	56	31,658
Target Corp.	327	29,332
US Foods Holding Corp. <sup>(a)</sup>	375	28,732
		<u>89,722</u>

#### **Software & Tech Services - 9.0%**

Cloudflare, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	160	34,334
Oracle Corp.	131	36,843
Palantir Technologies, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	207	37,761
Strategy, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	74	23,844
Veeva Systems, Inc. - Class A <sup>(a)</sup>	87	25,918
		<u>158,700</u>

#### **Tech Hardware & Semiconductors - 3.8%**

Broadcom, Inc.	115	37,940
KLA Corp.	27	29,122
		<u>67,062</u>

#### **Telecommunications - 1.6%**

Verizon Communications, Inc.	619	<u>27,205</u>
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#### **Utilities - 17.2%**

Brookfield Renewable Partners LP	2,230	57,512
Entergy Corp.	656	61,133
Northwest Natural Holding Co.	758	34,057
Northwestern Energy Group, Inc.	533	31,239
Pinnacle West Capital Corp.	518	46,444

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Spire, Inc.	501	\$ 40,841
Vistra Corp.	160	31,347
		<u>302,573</u>
<b>TOTAL COMMON STOCKS (Cost \$1,472,533)</b>		
		<u>1,716,338</u>

<b>PURCHASED OPTIONS - 0.3%<sup>(a)(b)(c)(d)(e)</sup></b>	<b>Notional Amount</b>	<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Call Options - 0.3%</b>			
CBOE Volatility Index, Expiration: 10/22/2025; Exercise Price: \$30.00	\$ 231,176	142	<u>5,254</u>
<b>TOTAL PURCHASED OPTIONS (Cost \$9,318)</b>			<u>5,254</u>
<b>SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS - 1.1%</b>			
<b>Money Market Funds - 1.1%</b>			<b>Shares</b>
First American Government Obligations Fund - Class X, 4.05% <sup>(f)</sup>		19,153	<u>19,153</u>
<b>TOTAL SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS (Cost \$19,153)</b>			<u>19,153</u>
<b>TOTAL INVESTMENTS - 99.0% (Cost \$1,501,004)</b>			\$ 1,740,745
Other Assets in Excess of Liabilities - 1.0%			<u>17,717</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS - 100.0%</b>			<u>\$ 1,758,462</u>

Percentages are stated as a percent of net assets.

REIT      Real Estate Investment Trust

- (a) Non-income producing security.
- (b) Exchange-traded.
- (c) 100 shares per contract.
- (d) Held in connection with written option contracts. See Consolidated Schedule of Written Options Contracts for further information.
- (e) All or a portion of the investment is a holding of Toroso Cayman Subsidiary I, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF.
- (f) The rate shown represents the 7-day annualized effective yield as of September 30, 2025.

**Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF**  
**Consolidated Schedule of Written Options Contracts**  
**September 30, 2025 (Unaudited)**

<b>WRITTEN OPTIONS - (0.1)%<sup>(a)(b)(c)</sup></b>	<b>Notional Amount</b>	<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Call Options - (0.1)%</b>			
CBOE Volatility Index, Expiration: 10/22/2025; Exercise Price: \$45.00	\$ (231,176)	(142)	\$ (1,988)
<b>TOTAL WRITTEN OPTIONS (Premiums received \$4,172)</b>			<u>(1,988)</u>

Percentages are stated as a percent of net assets.

- (a) 100 shares per contract.
- (b) Exchange-traded.
- (c) All or a portion of the investment is a holding of Toroso Cayman Subsidiary I, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****September 30, 2025 (Unaudited)**

	<b>Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF</b>
<b>ASSETS:</b>	
Investments, at value (cost \$1,501,004) (Note 2)	\$ 1,740,745
Deposit at broker for options contracts	17,757
Dividends receivable	3,220
Interest receivable	90
Total assets	<u>1,761,812</u>
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>	
Written options contracts, at value (Note 2)	1,988
Payable to adviser (Note 4)	1,362
Total liabilities	<u>3,350</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,758,462</u></u>
<b>NET ASSETS CONSISTS OF:</b>	
Paid-in capital	\$ 13,516,063
Total distributable earnings/(accumulated losses)	<u>(11,757,601)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<u><u>\$ 1,758,462</u></u>
Net assets	\$ 1,758,462
Shares issued and outstanding <sup>(a)</sup>	<u>75,000</u>
Net asset value per share	<u><u>\$ 23.45</u></u>

<sup>(a)</sup>Unlimited shares authorized without par value.

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
**For the Period Ended September 30, 2025 (Unaudited)**

	Acruence
	Active Hedge
	U.S. Equity
	ETF
<b>INVESTMENT INCOME:</b>	
Dividend income	\$ 37,602
Less: Dividend withholding taxes	(356)
Interest income	487
Broker interest income	494
<b>Total investment income</b>	<b><u>38,227</u></b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>	
Investment advisory fee (Note 4)	14,911
Broker interest expense	189
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b><u>15,100</u></b>
Net expenses	15,100
<b>NET INVESTMENT INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b><u>23,127</u></b>
<b>REALIZED AND UNREALIZED GAIN (LOSS):</b>	
Net realized gain (loss) on:	
Investments	472,563
Written options contracts	(84,115)
Net realized gain (loss)	<u>388,448</u>
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:	
Investments	166,693
Written options contracts	(1,853)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	<u>164,840</u>
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss)	<u>553,288</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS</b>	
<b>RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS</b>	<b><u>\$ 576,415</u></b>

**Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

	<b>Period Ended</b> <b>September 30,</b> <b>2025</b> <b>(Unaudited)</b>	<b>Year Ended</b> <b>March 31, 2025</b>
<b>OPERATIONS:</b>		
Net investment income (loss)	\$ 23,127	\$ 101,601
Net realized gain (loss)	388,448	483,413
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	164,840	(435,999)
<b>Net increase (decrease) in net assets resulting from operations</b>	<b>576,415</b>	<b>149,015</b>
<b>DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS:</b>		
Distributions to shareholders	-	(150,395)
Total distributions to shareholders	-	(150,395)
<b>CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
Subscriptions	1,445,522	20,074,303
Redemptions	(3,763,443)	(23,828,420)
Net increase (decrease) in net assets from capital transactions	<b>(2,317,921)</b>	<b>(3,754,117)</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS</b>	<b>(1,741,506)</b>	<b>(3,755,497)</b>
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>		
Beginning of period	3,499,383	7,254,880
End of period	<b>\$ 1,757,877</b>	<b>\$ 3,499,383</b>
<b>SHARES TRANSACTIONS:</b>		
Subscriptions	150,000	975,000
Redemptions	(225,000)	(1,150,000)
Total increase (decrease) in shares outstanding	<b>(75,000)</b>	<b>(175,000)</b>

**Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF**  
**CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**  
For a capital share outstanding throughout the periods

	Period Ended		Period Ended		
	September 30, 2025 (Unaudited)	Year ended March 31,			March 31, 2022 <sup>(a)</sup>
		2025	2024	2023	
Net asset value, beginning of period	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.73	\$ 18.55	\$ 21.24	\$ 20.00
<b>Income (Loss) from Investment Operations:</b>					
Net investment income (loss) <sup>(b)</sup>	0.14	0.34	0.32	0.15	0.11
Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments <sup>(c)</sup>	3.31	(0.40)	2.06	(2.35)	1.20
Total from investment operations	<u><u>3.45</u></u>	<u><u>(0.06)</u></u>	<u><u>2.38</u></u>	<u><u>(2.20)</u></u>	<u><u>1.31</u></u>
<b>Less Distributions From:</b>					
Net investment income	-	(0.67)	(0.20)	(0.49)	(0.07)
Total distributions	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(0.67)</u></u>	<u><u>(0.20)</u></u>	<u><u>(0.49)</u></u>	<u><u>(0.07)</u></u>
Net asset value, end of period	<u><u>\$ 23.45</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 20.00</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 20.73</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 18.55</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 21.24</u></u>
Total return <sup>(d)</sup>	17.27%	-0.67%	12.96%	-10.18%	6.52%
<b>Ratios / Supplemental Data:</b>					
Net assets, end of period (in thousands)	\$ 1,758	\$ 3,499	\$ 7,255	\$ 12,985	\$ 104,088
Ratio of expenses to average net assets <sup>(e)</sup>	0.85%	0.83%	0.85%	0.83%	0.83%
Ratio of interest expense to average net assets <sup>(e)</sup>	0.02%	0.00% <sup>(f)</sup>	0.02%	-%	-%
Ratio of operational expenses to average net assets excluding interest expense <sup>(e)</sup>	0.83%	0.83%	0.83%	0.83%	0.83%
Ratio of net investment income (loss) to average net assets <sup>(e)</sup>	1.29%	1.60%	1.73%	0.79%	0.56%
Portfolio turnover rate <sup>(d)(g)</sup>	92%	361%	568% <sup>(h)</sup>	14%	6%

<sup>(a)</sup> Inception date of the Fund was April 21, 2021.

<sup>(b)</sup> Net investment income per share has been calculated based on average shares outstanding during the periods.

<sup>(c)</sup> Net realized and unrealized gain (loss) per share in the caption are balancing amounts necessary to reconcile the change in the net asset value per share for the period, and may not reconcile with the aggregate gain (loss) in the Consolidated Statement of Operations due to share transactions for the period.

<sup>(d)</sup> Not annualized for periods less than one year.

<sup>(e)</sup> Annualized for periods less than one year.

<sup>(f)</sup> Amount represents less than 0.005%.

<sup>(g)</sup> Portfolio turnover rate excludes in-kind transactions.

<sup>(h)</sup> The increase in portfolio turnover relates to a strategy change that was effective April 6, 2023.

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## NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION

The Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF (the “Fund”) is a diversified series of shares of beneficial interest of Tidal Trust I (formerly, Tidal ETF Trust) (the “Trust”). The Fund commenced operations as a non-diversified series of the Trust; however, the Fund continuously operated as diversified for three years and as of April 21, 2024, is classified as diversified. The Trust was organized as a Delaware statutory trust on June 4, 2018 and is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “SEC”) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “1940 Act”), as an open-end management investment company and the offering of the Fund’s shares (“Shares”) is registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The Trust is governed by its Board of Trustees (the “Board”). Tidal Investments LLC (“Tidal Investments” or the “Adviser”), a Tidal Financial Group company, serves as investment adviser to the Fund and Acruence Capital, LLC (“Acruence” or the “Sub-Adviser”) serves as investment sub-adviser to the Fund. The Fund is an investment company and accordingly follows the investment company accounting and reporting guidance of the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) Accounting Standards Codification Topic 946 “Financial Services — Investment Companies.” The Fund commenced operations on April 21, 2021.

The investment objective of the Fund is to seek capital appreciation with reduced volatility as compared to the S&P 500® Index.

## NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following is a summary of significant accounting policies consistently followed by the Fund. These policies are in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“U.S. GAAP”).

**Security Valuation** - Equity securities, which may include Real Estate Investment Trusts (“REITs”), Business Development Companies (“BDCs”), and Master Limited Partnerships (“MLPs”), listed on a securities exchange, market or automated quotation system for which quotations are readily available (except for securities traded on The Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC (the “NASDAQ”)), including securities traded over-the-counter, are valued at the last quoted sale price on the primary exchange or market (foreign or domestic) on which they are traded on the valuation date (or at approximately 4:00 p.m. EST if a security’s primary exchange is normally open at that time), or, if there is no such reported sale on the valuation date, at the most recent quoted bid price or mean between the most recent quoted bid and ask prices for long and short positions. For a security that trades on multiple exchanges, the primary exchange will generally be considered the exchange on which the security is generally most actively traded. For securities traded on the NASDAQ, the NASDAQ Official Closing Price will be used. Prices of securities traded on the securities exchange will be obtained from recognized independent pricing agents each day that the Fund is open for business.

Options contracts are valued using the mean/mid of quoted bid and ask spread prices, as provided by independent pricing vendors.

Investments in money market mutual funds are valued at each underlying fund’s published net asset value (“NAV”) per share as of the valuation time. Each underlying money market fund calculates NAV using the amortized cost method (which approximates fair value) as permitted by Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Under Rule 2a-5 of the 1940 Act, a fair value will be determined for securities for which quotations are not readily available by the Valuation Designee (as defined in Rule 2a-5) in accordance with the Pricing and Valuation Policy and Fair Value Procedures, as applicable, of the Adviser, subject to oversight by the Board. When a security is “fair

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valued,” consideration is given to the facts and circumstances relevant to the particular situation, including a review of various factors set forth in the Adviser’s Pricing and Valuation Policy and Fair Value Procedures, as applicable. Fair value pricing is an inherently subjective process, and no single standard exists for determining fair value. Different funds could reasonably arrive at different values for the same security.

As described above, the Fund utilizes various methods to measure the fair value of its investments on a recurring basis. U.S. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes inputs to valuation methods. The three levels of inputs are:

Level 1 – Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access.

Level 2 – Observable inputs other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. These inputs may include quoted prices for the identical instrument on an inactive market, prices for similar instruments, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, yield curves, default rates and similar data.

Level 3 – Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability, to the extent relevant observable inputs are not available; representing the Fund’s own assumptions about the assumptions a market participant would use in valuing the asset or liability and would be based on the best information available.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors, including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3.

The inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, for disclosure purposes, the level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement falls in its entirety, is determined based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

The following is a summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of September 30, 2025:

	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Level 3</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Assets:</b>				
<b>Investments:</b>				
Common Stocks	\$ 1,716,338	\$ –	\$ –	\$ 1,716,338
Purchased Options	–	5,254	–	5,254
Money Market Funds	19,153	–	–	19,153
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$ 1,735,491</b>	<b>\$ 5,254</b>	<b>\$ –</b>	<b>\$ 1,740,745</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
<b>Other Financial Instruments:<sup>(a)</sup></b>				
Written Options	–	(1,988)	–	(1,988)
<b>Total Other Financial Instruments</b>	<b>\$ –</b>	<b>\$ (1,988)</b>	<b>\$ –</b>	<b>\$ (1,988)</b>

Refer to the Consolidated Schedule of Investments for further disaggregation of investment categories.

(a) The fair value of the Fund's other financial instruments represents the net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) as of September 30, 2025.

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**Derivative Instruments** - As the buyer of a call option, the Fund has a right to buy the underlying reference instrument (e.g., a currency or security) at the exercise price at any time during the option period (for American style options). The Fund may enter into closing sale transactions with respect to call options, exercise them, or permit them to expire. For example, the Fund may buy call options on underlying reference instruments that it intends to buy with the goal of limiting the risk of a substantial increase in their market price before the purchase is effected. Unless the price of the underlying reference instrument changes sufficiently, a call option purchased by the Fund may expire without any value to the Fund, in which case such Fund would experience a loss to the extent of the premium paid for the option plus related transaction costs.

As the buyer of a put option, the Fund has the right to sell the underlying reference instrument at the exercise price at any time during the option period (for American style options). Like a call option, the Fund may enter into closing sale transactions with respect to put options, exercise them, or permit them to expire. The Fund may buy a put option on an underlying reference instrument owned by the Fund (a protective put) as a hedging technique in an attempt to protect against an anticipated decline in the market value of the underlying reference instrument. Such hedge protection is provided only during the life of the put option when the Fund, as the buyer of the put option, is able to sell the underlying reference instrument at the put exercise price, regardless of any decline in the underlying instrument's market price. The Fund may also seek to offset a decline in the value of the underlying reference instrument through appreciation in the value of the put option. The premium paid for the put option and any transaction costs would reduce any short-term capital gain that may be available for distribution when the instrument is eventually sold. Buying put options at a time when the buyer does not own the underlying reference instrument allows the buyer to benefit from a decline in the market price of the underlying reference instrument, which generally increases the value of the put option.

If a put option is not terminated in a closing sale transaction when it has remaining value, and if the market price of the underlying reference instrument remains equal to or greater than the exercise price during the life of the put option, the buyer would not make any gain upon exercise of the option and would experience a loss to the extent of the premium paid for the option plus related transaction costs. In order for the purchase of a put option to be profitable, the market price of the underlying reference instrument must decline sufficiently below the exercise price to cover the premium and transaction costs.

Writing options may permit the writer to generate additional income in the form of the premium received for writing the option. The writer of an option may have no control over when the underlying reference instruments must be sold (in the case of a call option) or purchased (in the case of a put option) because the writer may be notified of exercise at any time prior to the expiration of the option (for American style options). In general, though, options are infrequently exercised prior to expiration. Whether or not an option expires unexercised, the writer retains the amount of the premium. Writing "covered" call options means that the writer owns the underlying reference instrument that is subject to the call option. Call options may also be written on reference instruments that the writer does not own.

If the Fund writes a covered call option, any underlying reference instruments that are held by the Fund and are subject to the call option will be earmarked on the books of such Fund as segregated to satisfy its obligations under the option. The Fund will be unable to sell the underlying reference instruments that are subject to the written call option until it either effects a closing transaction with respect to the written call, or otherwise satisfies the conditions for release of the underlying reference instruments from segregation. As the writer of a covered call option, the Fund gives up the potential for capital appreciation above the exercise price of the option should the underlying reference instrument rise in value. If the value of the underlying reference instrument rises above the exercise price of the call option, the reference instrument will likely be "called away," requiring the Fund to sell the underlying instrument at

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the exercise price. In that case, the Fund will sell the underlying reference instrument to the option buyer for less than its market value, and such Fund will experience a loss (which will be offset by the premium received by the Fund as the writer of such option). If a call option expires unexercised, the Fund will realize a gain in the amount of the premium received. If the market price of the underlying reference instrument decreases, the call option will not be exercised, and the Fund will be able to use the amount of the premium received to hedge against the loss in value of the underlying reference instrument. The exercise price of a call option will be chosen based upon the expected price movement of the underlying reference instrument. The exercise price of a call option may be below, equal to (at-the-money), or above the current value of the underlying reference instrument at the time the option is written.

As the writer of a put option, the Fund has a risk of loss should the underlying reference instrument decline in value. If the value of the underlying reference instrument declines below the exercise price of the put option and the put option is exercised, the Fund, as the writer of the put option, will be required to buy the instrument at the exercise price, which will exceed the market value of the underlying reference instrument at that time. The Fund will incur a loss to the extent that the current market value of the underlying reference instrument is less than the exercise price of the put option. However, the loss will be offset in part by the premium received from the buyer of the put. If a put option written by the Fund expires unexercised, such Fund will realize a gain in the amount of the premium received.

The Fund has adopted financial reporting rules and regulations that require enhanced disclosure regarding derivatives and hedging activity intending to improve financial reporting of derivative instruments by enabling investors to understand how an entity uses derivatives, how derivatives are accounted for, and how derivative instruments affect an entity's results of operations and financial position.

For the period ended September 30, 2025, the Fund's monthly average notional amounts are described below:

	Average Contracts	Average Notional Amount
Purchased Options	326	\$ 696,683
Written Options	(326)	(696,683)

### *Consolidated Statement of Assets & Liabilities*

Instrument	Asset Derivatives as of September 30, 2025		Liability Derivatives as of September 30, 2025	
	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value	Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value
<b>Equity Contracts:</b>				
Purchased Options <sup>(a)</sup>	Investments, at value	\$ 5,254	None	\$ -
Written Options <sup>(a)</sup>	None	-	Written options contracts, at value	1,988

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## *Consolidated Statement of Operations*

The effect of derivative instruments on the Consolidated Statement of Operations for the period ended September 30, 2025 was as follows:

Instrument	Location of Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Recognized in Income	Realized Gain (Loss) on Derivatives Recognized in Income:	Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on:
Equity Contracts:			
Purchased Options <sup>(a)</sup>	Net realized gain (loss) from Investments & Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on Investments	\$(136,280)	\$3,054
Written Options <sup>(a)</sup>	Net realized gain (loss) from Written options contracts & Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on Written options contracts	84,115	(1,853)

(a) The investment is a holding of Toroso Cayman Subsidiary I, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Fund.

**Basis for Consolidation for the Fund** - The Fund may invest up to 25% of its total assets in the Toroso Cayman Subsidiary I, a subsidiary that is wholly-owned by the Fund and organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the “Subsidiary”). The Subsidiary may invest in various types of options contracts, including options contracts (“VIX Options”) on the CBOE Volatility Index (the “VIX Index”) and other derivatives instruments. The Fund’s investment in the Subsidiary will not exceed 20% of the value of the Fund’s total assets (notwithstanding any subsequent market appreciation in the Subsidiary’s value). Asset limitations are imposed by Subchapter M of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), and are measured at each taxable year and quarter end. The Adviser also serves as the investment adviser to the Subsidiary, but does not receive separate compensation.

The Subsidiary is not registered under the 1940 Act but is subject to certain protections of the 1940 Act with respect to the Fund, as described in the Fund’s Statement of Additional Information. All of the Fund’s investments in the Subsidiary are subject to the investment policies and restrictions of the Fund, including those related to leverage, collateral and segregation requirements and liquidity. In addition, the valuation and brokerage policies of the Fund are applied to the Subsidiary. The Fund’s investments in the Subsidiary are not subject to all investor protection provisions of the 1940 Act. However, because the Fund is the sole investor in the Subsidiary, it is not likely that the Subsidiary will take any action that is contrary to the interests of the Fund and its shareholders. All inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated in the consolidation of the Fund and its Subsidiary. The financial statements of the Subsidiary are consolidated with the Fund’s financial statements. The Fund had \$21,063, or 1.2% of its net assets invested in the Subsidiary as of September 30, 2025.

The Subsidiary is an exempted Cayman Islands investment company and as such is not subject to Cayman Islands taxes at the present time. For U.S. income tax purposes, the Subsidiary is a Controlled Foreign Corporation (“CFC”) not subject to U.S. income taxes. As a wholly-owned CFC, however, the Subsidiary’s net income and capital gains, if any, will be included each year in the Fund’s investment company taxable income.

**Federal Income Taxes** - The Fund has elected to be taxed as a regulated investment company (“RIC”) and intends to distribute substantially all taxable income to its shareholders and otherwise comply with the provisions of the

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Internal Revenue Code applicable to RICs. Therefore, no provision for federal income taxes or excise taxes has been made.

In order to avoid imposition of the excise tax applicable to RICs, the Fund intends to declare as dividends in each calendar year at least 98% of its net investment income (earned during the calendar year) and at least 98.2% of its net realized capital gains (earned during the twelve months ended October 31) plus undistributed amounts, if any, from prior years. As a RIC, the Fund is subject to a 4% excise tax that is imposed if the Fund does not distribute by the end of any calendar year at least the sum of (i) 98% of its ordinary income (not taking into account any capital gain or loss) for the calendar year and (ii) 98.2% of its capital gain in excess of its capital loss (adjusted for certain ordinary losses) for a one-year period generally ending on October 31 of the calendar year (unless an election is made to use the Fund's fiscal year). The Fund generally intends to distribute income and capital gains in the manner necessary to minimize (but not necessarily eliminate) the imposition of such excise tax. The Fund may retain income or capital gains and pay excise tax when it is determined that doing so is in the best interest of shareholders. Management evaluates the costs of the excise tax relative to the benefits of retaining income and capital gains, including that such undistributed amounts (net of the excise tax paid) remain available for investment by the Fund and are available to supplement future distributions. Tax expense is disclosed in the Consolidated Statement of Operations, if applicable.

As of September 30, 2025, the Fund did not have any tax positions that did not meet the threshold of being sustained by the applicable tax authority. Generally, tax authorities can examine all the tax returns filed for the last three years. The Fund identifies its major tax jurisdiction as U.S. Federal and the Commonwealth of Delaware; however, the Fund is not aware of any tax positions for which it is reasonably possible that the total amounts of unrecognized tax benefits will change materially. The Fund recognizes interest and penalties, if any, related to unrecognized tax benefits on uncertain tax positions as income tax expense in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. The Subsidiary (defined in Note 2 above) is a controlled foreign corporation not subject to Cayman Islands or U.S. income taxes. As a wholly-owned foreign corporation, the Subsidiary's net income and capital gains, if any, will be included each year in the Fund's investment company taxable income.

**Securities Transactions and Investment Income** - Investment securities transactions are accounted for on the trade date. Gains and losses realized on sales of securities are determined on a specific identification basis. Discounts/premiums on debt securities purchased are accreted/amortized over the life of the respective securities using the effective interest method. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Dividends received from REITs generally are comprised of ordinary income, capital gains, and may include return of capital. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Other non-cash dividends are recognized as investment income at the fair value of the property received. Withholding taxes on foreign dividends have been provided for in accordance with the Fund's understanding of the applicable country's tax rules and rates.

**Distributions to Shareholders** - Distributions to shareholders from net investment income, if any, for the Fund are declared and paid annually. Distributions to shareholders from net realized gains on securities, if any, for the Fund normally are declared and paid at least annually. Distributions are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

**Use of Estimates** - The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of increases and decreases in net assets from operations during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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**Share Valuation** - The NAV per Share is calculated by dividing the sum of the value of the securities held by the Fund, plus cash or other assets, minus all liabilities by the total number of Shares outstanding for the Fund, rounded to the nearest cent. Fund Shares will not be priced on the days on which the Cboe BZX Exchange, Inc. (the “Exchange”) is closed for trading.

**Guarantees and Indemnifications** - In the normal course of business, the Fund enters into contracts with service providers that contain general indemnification clauses. The Fund’s maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Fund that have not yet occurred. However, based on experience, the Fund expects the risk of loss to be remote.

**Derivatives Transactions** - Pursuant to Rule 18f-4 under the 1940 Act, the SEC imposes limits on the amount of derivatives a fund can enter into, eliminates the asset segregation and cover framework arising from prior SEC guidance for covering derivatives and certain financial instruments currently used by funds to comply with Section 18 of the 1940 Act and treats derivatives as senior securities. Under Rule 18f-4, a fund’s derivatives exposure is limited through a value-at-risk test. Funds whose use of derivatives is more than a limited specified exposure amount are required to establish and maintain a comprehensive derivatives risk management program, subject to oversight by a fund’s board of trustees, and appoint a derivatives risk manager. The Fund has implemented a Rule 18f-4 Derivatives Risk Management Program that complies with Rule 18f-4.

**Illiquid Securities** - Pursuant to Rule 22e-4 under the 1940 Act, the Fund has adopted a Board-approved Liquidity Risk Management Program (the “Program”) that requires, among other things, that the Fund limit its illiquid investments that are assets to no more than 15% of the value of the Fund’s net assets. An illiquid investment is any security that the Fund reasonably expects cannot be sold or disposed of in current market conditions in seven calendar days or less without the sale or disposition significantly changing the market value of the investment. If the Fund should be in a position where the value of illiquid investments held by the Fund exceeds 15% of the Fund’s net assets, the Fund will take such steps as set forth in the Program.

## NOTE 3 - PRINCIPAL INVESTMENT RISKS

**Equity Market Risk.** Common stocks, such as those held by the Fund, are generally exposed to greater risk than other types of securities, such as preferred stock and debt obligations, because common stockholders generally have inferior rights to receive payment from specific issuers. The equity securities held in the Fund’s portfolio may experience sudden, unpredictable drops in value or long periods of decline in value. This may occur because of factors that affect securities markets generally or factors affecting specific issuers, industries, or sectors in which the Fund invests.

**Options Risk.** Options enable the Fund to purchase exposure that is significantly greater than the premium paid. Consequently, the value of such options can be volatile, and a small investment in options can have a large impact on the performance of the Fund. The Fund risks losing all or part of the cash paid (premium) for purchasing options. Even a small decline in the value of a reference asset underlying call options or a small increase in the value of a reference asset underlying put options can result in the entire investment in such options being lost. Options may also present tracking risk. An imperfect or variable degree of correlation between price movements of the derivative and the underlying investment may prevent the portfolio from achieving the intended effect. The value of an option can change over time depending on several factors aside from just changes in the underlying asset’s price, such as the time remaining to expiration and the expected level of volatility in the underlying asset. For option buyers, the risk of loss is limited to the option premium at the time of purchase. Additionally, the value of the option may be lost if the Sub-Adviser fails to exercise such option at or prior to its expiration. If the Sub-Adviser applies an options

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strategy to seek to hedge the Fund's portfolio at an inappropriate time or judges market movements incorrectly, options strategies may lower the Fund's return. The Fund's options strategies are also subject to the following risks:

- **VIX Options Strategy Risk.** One of the primary drivers of the value of a VIX Option is movement in the spot value of the VIX Index, which is a measure of implied volatility of S&P 500 options. Therefore, changing market expectations of future volatility will lead to changes in the market value of VIX Options. VIX Options will be subject to market risk. Because implied volatilities often rise during periods of market stress, the VIX Index is often negatively correlated to equity markets.
- **Collar Strategy Risk.** By selling call options in return for the receipt of premiums, the Fund will give up the opportunity to benefit from potential increases in the value of the underlying asset above the exercise prices of such options. By purchasing put options in return for the payment of premiums, the Fund may be protected from a significant decline in the price of the underlying asset if the put options become in the money, but during periods where the underlying asset appreciates, the Fund will underperform due to the cost of the premiums paid and the increased value of any call options sold on the underlying asset. In addition, the Fund's ability to sell the securities that are underlying assets for the options will be limited while the options are in effect unless the Fund cancels out the options positions through the purchase or sale of offsetting identical options prior to the expiration of the options.
- **Vertical Spread Strategy Risk.** The vertical spread strategy used to seek to protect the Fund against market declines during periods of volatility may not work as intended. Effective use of a vertical spread strategy to limit potential losses to the Fund depends on the Sub-Adviser setting an appropriate spread between the two options held by the Fund. Use of vertical spread options may offer downside protection to the Fund but also limit the Fund's returns if the reference asset in a vertical spread option appreciates in value. As a consequence, the Fund may underperform relative to other Fund's that do not employ a vertical spread option strategy.
- **Covered Call Strategy Risk.** When the Fund sells call options, it receives cash but limits its opportunity to profit from an increase in the market value of the underlying asset to the exercise price (plus the premium received). The maximum potential gain on the underlying asset will be equal to the difference between the exercise price and the purchase price of the reference asset at the time the option is written, plus the premium received. In a rising market, the option may require an underlying asset to be sold at an exercise price that is lower than would be received if the underlying asset was sold at the market price. If a call expires, the Fund realizes a gain in the amount of the premium received, but because there may have been a decline (unrealized loss) in the market value of the reference asset during the option period, the loss realized may exceed such gain. If the underlying asset declines by more than the option premium the Fund receives, there will be a loss on the overall position.
- **Box Trade Strategy Risk.** Use of a box trade strategy is intended to limit overall risk to the Fund since the loss in one option transaction is set off against the gain from another option transaction. Because box trades involve multiple options transactions, the Fund will incur additional transaction costs when utilizing a box trade strategy which will limit returns when using such a strategy.

**Dividend Investing Risks.** The Fund will be subject to the risk that issuers that have historically paid regular dividends or distributions to shareholders may not continue to do so in the future. An issuer may reduce or eliminate future dividends or distributions at any time and for any reason. Such events could lower the price or yield of that company's equity securities. Additionally, equity securities that make high or regular dividend payments may underperform other securities in certain market conditions.

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**Growth Investing Risks.** The Fund may invest in companies that appear to be growth-oriented. Growth companies are those that the Sub-Adviser believes will have revenue and earnings that grow faster than the economy as a whole, offering above-average prospects for capital appreciation and little or no emphasis on dividend income. If the Sub-Adviser's perceptions of a company's growth potential are wrong, the securities purchased may not perform as expected, reducing the Fund's return.

**REIT Risk.** A REIT is a company that owns or finances income-producing real estate and meets certain requirements under the Code. Through its investments in REITs, the Fund is subject to the risks of investing in the real estate market, including decreases in property revenues, increases in interest rates, increases in property taxes and operating expenses, legal and regulatory changes, a lack of credit or capital, defaults by borrowers or tenants, environmental problems and natural disasters.

**Cayman Subsidiary Risk.** By investing in the Subsidiary, the Fund is indirectly exposed to the risks associated with the Subsidiary's investments. The VIX Options and other investments held by the Subsidiary are generally similar to those investments that are permitted to be held by the Fund and are subject to the same economic risks that apply to similar investments if held directly by the Fund. The Subsidiary is not registered under the 1940 Act, and, unless otherwise noted in this Prospectus, is not subject to all the investor protections of the 1940 Act. Changes in the laws of the United States and/or the Cayman Islands could result in the inability of the Fund and/or the Subsidiary to continue to operate as it does currently and could adversely affect the Fund.

**ETF Risk.** The Fund is an ETF, and, as a result of an ETF's structure, is exposed to the following risks:

- **Authorized Participants, Market Makers, and Liquidity Providers Concentration Risk.** The Fund has a limited number of financial institutions that are authorized to purchase and redeem Shares directly from the Fund (known as Authorized Participants or APs). In addition, there may be a limited number of market makers and/or liquidity providers in the marketplace. To the extent either of the following events occur, Shares may trade at a material discount to NAV and possibly face delisting: (i) APs exit the business or otherwise become unable to process creation and/or redemption orders and no other APs step forward to perform these services; or (ii) market makers and/or liquidity providers exit the business or significantly reduce their business activities and no other entities step forward to perform their functions.
- **Cash Redemption Risk.** The Fund's investment strategy may require it to redeem Shares for cash or to otherwise include cash as part of its redemption proceeds. For example, the Fund may not be able to redeem in-kind certain securities held by the Fund (e.g., derivative instruments). In such a case, the Fund may be required to sell or unwind portfolio investments to obtain the cash needed to distribute redemption proceeds. This may cause the Fund to recognize a capital gain that it might not have recognized if it had made a redemption in-kind. As a result, the Fund may have less cash efficiency and pay out higher annual capital gain distributions to shareholders than if the in-kind redemption process was used.
- **Costs of Buying or Selling Shares.** Due to the costs of buying or selling Shares, including brokerage commissions imposed by brokers and bid-ask spreads, frequent trading of Shares may significantly reduce investment results and an investment in Shares may not be advisable for investors who anticipate regularly making small investments.
- **Shares May Trade at Prices Other Than NAV.** As with all ETFs, Shares may be bought and sold in the secondary market at market prices. Although it is expected that the market price of Shares will approximate the Fund's NAV, there may be times when the market price of Shares is more than the NAV intra-day

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(premium) or less than the NAV intra-day (discount) due to supply and demand of Shares or during periods of market volatility. This risk is heightened in times of market volatility, periods of steep market declines, and periods when there is limited trading activity for Shares in the secondary market, in which case such premiums or discounts may be significant.

- **Trading.** Although Shares are listed on a national securities exchange, such as the Exchange, and may be traded on U.S. exchanges other than the Exchange, there can be no assurance that Shares will trade with any volume, or at all, on any stock exchange. In stressed market conditions, the liquidity of Shares may begin to mirror the liquidity of the Fund's underlying portfolio holdings, which can be significantly less liquid than Shares. Also, in stressed market conditions, the market for Shares may become less liquid in response to deteriorating liquidity in the markets for the Fund's underlying portfolio holdings. These adverse effects on liquidity for Shares, in turn, could lead to wider bid/ask spreads and differences between the market price of Shares and the underlying value of those Shares.

**General Market Risk.** Economies and financial markets throughout the world are becoming increasingly interconnected, which increases the likelihood that events or conditions in one country or region will adversely impact markets or issuers in other countries or regions. Securities in the Fund's portfolio may underperform in comparison to securities in the general financial markets, a particular financial market, or other asset classes, due to a number of factors, including inflation (or expectations for inflation), interest rates, global demand for particular products or resources, natural disasters or events, pandemic diseases, terrorism, regulatory events, and government controls.

**High Portfolio Turnover Risk.** The Fund may actively and frequently trade a significant portion of its holdings. A high portfolio turnover rate increases transaction costs, which may increase the Fund's expenses. Frequent trading may also cause adverse tax consequences for investors in the Fund due to an increase in short-term capital gains.

**Management Risk.** The Fund is actively-managed and may not meet its investment objective based on the Sub-Adviser's success or failure to implement investment strategies for the Fund. Although the Sub-Adviser has options trading experience, the Sub-Adviser may not be able to replicate the historical performance of its options strategies. In addition, the Sub-Adviser's investment strategy to seek lower volatility may cause the Fund to underperform the broader equity market during market rallies. Such underperformance could be significant during sudden or significant market rallies.

## Market Capitalization Risk.

- **Large-Capitalization Investing.** The securities of large-capitalization companies may be relatively mature compared to smaller companies and therefore subject to slower growth during times of economic expansion. Large-capitalization companies may also be unable to respond quickly to new competitive challenges, such as changes in technology and consumer tastes.

**Models and Data Risk.** The composition of the Fund's portfolio is heavily dependent on proprietary quantitative models as well as information and data supplied by third parties ("Models and Data"). When Models and Data prove to be incorrect or incomplete, any decisions made in reliance thereon may lead to the inclusion or exclusion of securities from the Fund's portfolio universe that would have been excluded or included had the Models and Data been correct and complete. While the Sub-Adviser's model measures relationships between the VIX Index, volatility, and premiums, levels may be depressed for extended periods and options can expire worthless.

**Tax Risk.** The federal income tax treatment of the Fund's income from the Subsidiary may be negatively affected by future legislation, Treasury Regulations (proposed or final), and/or other Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") guidance

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or authorities that could affect the character, timing of recognition, and/or amount of the Fund's investment company taxable income and/or net capital gains and, therefore, the distributions it makes. If the Fund failed the source of income test for any taxable year but was eligible to and did cure the failure, it could incur potentially significant additional federal income tax expenses. If, on the other hand, the Fund failed to qualify as a RIC for any taxable year and was ineligible to or otherwise did not cure the failure, it would be subject to federal income tax at the fund-level on its taxable income at the regular corporate tax rate (without reduction for distributions to shareholders), with the consequence that its income available for distribution to shareholders would be reduced and distributions from its current or accumulated earnings and profits would generally be taxable to its shareholders as dividend income.

**U.S. Treasury Securities Risk.** The Fund may invest in U.S. Treasury securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury. U.S. government securities are subject to market risk, interest rate risk and counterparty risk. Securities, such as those issued or guaranteed by the U.S. Treasury, that are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and principal when held to maturity and the market prices for such securities will fluctuate. Notwithstanding that these securities are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, circumstances could arise that would prevent the payment of interest or principal. This would result in losses to the Fund.

## NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND OTHER RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Adviser serves as investment adviser to the Fund pursuant to an investment advisory agreement between the Adviser and the Trust, on behalf of the Fund (the "Advisory Agreement"), and, pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, provides investment advice to the Fund and oversees the day-to-day operations of the Fund, subject to the direction and oversight of the Board. The Adviser is also responsible for trading portfolio securities for the Fund, including selecting broker-dealers to execute purchase and sale transactions. The Adviser provides oversight of the Sub-Adviser and review of the Sub-Adviser's performance.

Pursuant to the Advisory Agreement, the Fund pays the Adviser a unitary management fee (the "Investment Advisory Fee") of 0.83% based on the average daily net assets of the Fund. Out of the Investment Advisory Fee, the Adviser is obligated to pay or arrange for the payment of substantially all expenses of the Fund, including the cost of sub-advisory, transfer agency, custody, fund administration, and all other related services necessary for the Fund to operate. Under the Advisory Agreement, the Adviser has agreed to pay, or require the Sub-Adviser to pay, all expenses incurred by the Fund except for interest charges on any borrowings, dividends and other expenses on securities sold short, taxes, brokerage commissions and other expenses incurred in placing orders for the purchase and sale of securities and other investment instruments, acquired fund fees and expenses, accrued deferred tax liability, extraordinary expenses, distribution fees and expenses paid by the Fund under any distribution plan adopted pursuant to Rule 12b-1 under the 1940 Act (collectively, "Excluded Expenses"), and the Investment Advisory Fee payable to the Adviser. The Investment Advisory Fees incurred are paid monthly to the Adviser. Investment Advisory Fees for the period ended September 30, 2025 are disclosed in the Statement of Operations.

The Sub-Adviser serves as investment sub-adviser to the Fund, pursuant to a sub-advisory agreement between the Adviser and the Sub-Adviser with respect to the Fund (the "Sub-Advisory Agreement"). Pursuant to the Sub-Advisory Agreement, the Sub-Adviser is responsible for the day-to-day management of the Fund's portfolio, including determining the securities purchased and sold by the Fund, subject to the supervision of the Adviser and the Board. The Sub-Adviser is paid a fee by the Adviser, which is calculated daily and paid monthly, at an annual rate of 0.02% of the Fund's average daily net assets (the "Sub-Advisory Fee"). The Sub-Adviser has agreed to assume all or a portion of the Adviser's obligation to pay all expenses incurred by the Fund, except for Excluded Expenses. For assuming the payment obligation for a portion of the Fund's expenses, the Adviser has agreed to pay to the Sub-Adviser a corresponding share of profits, if any, generated by the Fund's Investment Advisory Fee, less a

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contractual fee retained by the Adviser. Expenses incurred by the Fund and paid by the Sub-Adviser include fees charged by Tidal (defined below), which is an affiliate of the Adviser.

Tidal ETF Services LLC (“Tidal”), a Tidal Financial Group company and an affiliate of the Adviser, serves as the Fund’s administrator and, in that capacity, performs various administrative and management services for the Fund. Tidal coordinates the payment of Fund-related expenses and manages the Trust’s relationships with its various service providers. As compensation for the services it provides, Tidal receives a fee based on the Fund’s average daily net assets, subject to a minimum annual fee. Tidal also is entitled to certain out-of-pocket expenses for the services mentioned above.

U.S. Bancorp Fund Services, LLC, doing business as U.S. Bank Global Fund Services (“Fund Services”), serves as the Fund’s fund accountant and transfer agent. In those capacities, Fund Services performs various accounting and transfer agency services for the Fund. U.S. Bank N.A. (the “Custodian”), an affiliate of Fund Services, serves as the Fund’s custodian. Prior to August 1, 2025, Fund Services also served as the Fund’s sub-administrator.

Foreside Fund Services, LLC (the “Distributor”) acts as the Fund’s principal underwriter in a continuous public offering of the Fund’s Shares.

Certain officers and a trustee of the Trust are affiliated with the Adviser. Neither the affiliated trustee nor the Trust’s officers receive compensation from the Fund.

### **NOTE 5 - SEGMENT REPORTING**

In accordance with the FASB Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures, the Fund has evaluated its business activities and determined that it operates as a single reportable segment.

The Fund's investment activities are managed by the Principal Financial Officer, which serves as the Chief Operating Decision Maker ("CODM"). The Principal Financial Officer is responsible for assessing the Fund's financial performance and allocating resources. In making these assessments, the Adviser evaluates the Fund's financial results on an aggregated basis, rather than by separate segments. As such, the Fund does not allocate operating expenses or assets to multiple segments, and accordingly, no additional segment disclosures are required.

The Fund primarily generates income through dividends, interest, and realized/unrealized gains on its investment portfolio. Expenses incurred, including management fees, Fund operating expenses, and transaction costs, are considered general Fund-level expenses and are not allocated to specific segments or business lines.

Management has determined that the Fund does not meet the criteria for disaggregated segment reporting under ASU 2023-07 and will continue to evaluate its reporting requirements in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

### **NOTE 6 - PURCHASES AND SALES OF SECURITIES**

For the period ended September 30, 2025, the cost of purchases and proceeds from the sales or maturities of securities, excluding short-term investments, U.S. government securities, in-kind transactions, and purchases and sales of the Subsidiary were:

<b>Purchases</b>	<b>Sales</b>
\$3,818,517	\$ 5,006,251

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For the period ended September 30, 2025, there were no purchases or sales of long-term U.S. government securities.

For the period ended September 30, 2025, in-kind transactions associated with creations and redemptions for the Fund were:

Purchases	Sales
\$460,042	\$1,556,454

## NOTE 7 - INCOME TAXES AND DISTRIBUTIONS TO SHAREHOLDERS

The tax character of distributions paid during the period ended September 30, 2025 and the prior fiscal year ended March 31, 2025 were as follows:

Distributions Paid From	September 30, 2025	March 31, 2025
Ordinary Income	\$ -	\$ 150,395

As of the most recent fiscal year ended March 31, 2025, the components of distributable earnings/(accumulated losses) on a tax basis were as follows:

Cost of investments <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 3,778,260
Gross tax unrealized appreciation	607,601
Gross tax unrealized depreciation	(901,015)
Net tax unrealized appreciation (depreciation)	(293,414)
Undistributed ordinary income (loss)	13,680
Undistributed long-term capital gain (loss)	-
Total distributable earnings	13,680
Other accumulated gain (loss)	(12,040,233)
Total distributable earnings/(accumulated losses)	\$ (12,319,967)

(a) The difference between book and tax-basis unrealized appreciation was attributable primarily to the treatment of wash sales.

Net capital losses incurred after October 31 (post-October losses) and net investment losses incurred after December 31 (late-year losses), and within the taxable year, may be elected to be deferred to the first business day of the Fund's next taxable year. As of the most recent fiscal year ended March 31, 2025, the Fund had not elected to defer any post-October or late-year losses.

As of March 31, 2025, the Fund had long-term and short-term capital loss carryovers of \$8,644,948 and \$3,395,285, respectively, which do not expire.

## NOTE 8 - SHARES TRANSACTIONS

Shares of the Fund are listed and traded on the Exchange. Market prices for the Shares may be different from their NAV. The Fund issues and redeems shares on a continuous basis at NAV, generally in large blocks of Shares, called Creation Units. Creation Units are issued and redeemed principally in-kind for securities included in a specified universe. Once created, Shares generally trade in the secondary market at market prices that change throughout the day. Except when aggregated in Creation Units, Shares are not redeemable securities of the Fund. Creation Units may only be purchased or redeemed by Authorized Participants. An Authorized Participant is either (i) a broker-dealer or other participant in the clearing process through the Continuous Net Settlement System of the National

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Securities Clearing Corporation or (ii) a Depository Trust Company participant and, in each case, must have executed a Participant Agreement with the Distributor. Most retail investors do not qualify as Authorized Participants nor have the resources to buy and sell whole Creation Units. Therefore, they are unable to purchase or redeem the Shares directly from the Fund. Rather, most retail investors may purchase Shares in the secondary market with the assistance of a broker and are subject to customary brokerage commissions or fees.

The Fund currently offers one class of Shares, which has no front-end sales load, no deferred sales charge, and no redemption fee. A fixed transaction fee is imposed for the transfer and other transaction costs associated with the purchase or sale of Creation Units. The standard fixed transaction fee for the Fund is \$500, payable to the Custodian. The fixed transaction fee may be waived on certain orders if the Fund's Custodian has determined to waive some or all of the costs associated with the order or another party, such as the Adviser, has agreed to pay such fee. In addition, a variable fee may be charged on all cash transactions or substitutes for Creation Units and Redemption Units of up to a maximum of 2% of the value of the Creation Units and Redemption Units subject to the transaction. Variable fees are imposed to compensate the Fund for transaction costs associated with the cash transactions. Variable fees received by the Fund, if any, are disclosed in the capital shares transactions section of the Statement of Changes in Net Assets. The Fund may issue an unlimited number of Shares of beneficial interest, with no par value. All Shares of the Fund have equal rights and privileges.

### **NOTE 9 - RECENT MARKET EVENTS**

U.S. and international markets have experienced and may continue to experience significant periods of volatility in recent years and months due to a number of economic, political and global macro factors including uncertainty regarding inflation and central banks' interest rate changes, the possibility of a national or global recession, trade tensions and tariffs, political events, armed conflict, war, and geopolitical conflict. These developments, as well as other events, could result in further market volatility and negatively affect financial asset prices, the liquidity of certain securities and the normal operations of securities exchanges and other markets, despite government efforts to address market disruptions. As a result, the risk environment remains elevated.

### **NOTE 10 - NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT**

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU No. 2023-09, Income Taxes (Topic 740) Improvements to Income tax disclosures ("ASU 2023-09"). The primary purpose of the amendments within ASU 2023-09 is to enhance the transparency and decision usefulness of income tax disclosures primarily related to the rate reconciliation table and income taxes paid information. The amendments in ASU 2023-09 are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. Management is currently evaluating the implications of these changes on the consolidated financial statements.

### **NOTE 11 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, management has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through the date the consolidated financial statements were issued. Management has determined that there are no subsequent events that would need to be recognized or disclosed in the Fund's consolidated financial statements.

**Item 8. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants for Open-End Investment Companies.**

There have been no changes in or disagreements with the Fund's accountants.

**Item 9. Proxy Disclosure for Open-End Investment Companies.**

There were no matters submitted to a vote of shareholders during the period covered by the report.

**Item 10. Remuneration Paid to Directors, Officers, and Others of Open-End Investment Companies.**

See Item 7(a). Under the Investment Advisory Agreement, in exchange for a single unitary management fee from the Fund, the Adviser has agreed to pay all expenses incurred by the Fund, including Trustee compensation, except for certain excluded expenses.

**Item 11. Statement Regarding Basis for Approval of Investment Advisory and Sub-Advisory Contracts.**

The Board of Trustees (the “Board” or the “Trustees”) of Tidal Trust I (the “Trust”) met at a meeting held on April 3, 2025 to consider the renewal of the Investment Advisory Agreement (the “Advisory Agreement”) between the Trust, on behalf of the Acruence Active Hedge U.S. Equity ETF (the “Fund”), a series of the Trust, and Tidal Investments LLC, the Fund’s investment adviser (the “Adviser”). Prior to this meeting, the Board requested and received materials to assist them in considering the renewal of the Advisory Agreement. The materials provided contained information with respect to the factors enumerated below, including a copy of the Advisory Agreement, a memorandum prepared by outside legal counsel to the Trust and Independent Trustees discussing in detail the Trustees’ fiduciary obligations and the factors they should assess in considering the renewal of the Advisory Agreement, due diligence materials relating to the Adviser (including the due diligence response completed by the Adviser with respect to a specific request letter from outside legal counsel to the Trust and Independent Trustees, the Adviser’s Form ADV, select ownership, organizational, financial and insurance information for the Adviser, biographical information of the Adviser’s key management and compliance personnel, detailed comparative information regarding the unitary advisory fee for the Fund, and information regarding the Adviser’s compliance program) and other pertinent information. Based on their evaluation of the information provided, the Trustees, by a unanimous vote (including a separate vote of the Trustees who are not “interested persons,” as that term is defined in the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the “Independent Trustees”)), approved the renewal of the Advisory Agreement for an additional one-year term.

*Nature, Extent and Quality of Services Provided.* The Board considered the nature, extent and quality of the Adviser’s overall services provided to the Fund as well as its specific responsibilities in all aspects of day-to-day investment management of the Fund, including trade execution and recommendations with respect to the hiring, termination, or replacement of sub-advisers to the Fund. The Board considered the qualifications, experience and responsibilities of the Adviser’s investment management team, including Michael Venuto and Charles Ragauss, who each serve as a portfolio manager to the Fund, as well as the responsibilities of other key personnel of the Adviser involved in the day-to-day activities of the

Fund. The Board reviewed due diligence information provided by the Adviser, including information regarding the Adviser's compliance program, its compliance personnel and compliance record, as well as the Adviser's cybersecurity program and business continuity plan. The Board noted that the Adviser does not manage any other accounts that utilize a strategy similar to that employed by the Fund.

The Board also considered other services provided to the Fund, such as monitoring adherence to the Fund's investment strategy and restrictions, oversight of Acruence Capital, LLC ("Acruence" or the "Sub-Adviser"), the Fund's sub-adviser, and other service providers to the Fund, monitoring compliance with various Fund policies and procedures and with applicable securities regulations, the investment purpose and potential benefits and risks of the Fund's use of derivatives instruments, and monitoring the extent to which the Fund achieves its investment objective as an actively-managed ETF. The Board noted that the Adviser is responsible for trade execution for the Fund and the Sub-Adviser is responsible for portfolio investment decisions for the Fund, subject to the supervision of the Adviser.

The Board concluded that the Adviser had sufficient quality and depth of personnel, resources, investment methods and compliance policies and procedures essential to performing its duties under the Advisory Agreement and managing the Fund and that the nature, overall quality and extent of the management services provided to the Fund, as well as the Adviser's compliance program, were satisfactory. In addition, the Trustees concluded that the Adviser had sufficient quality and depth of personnel, resources, and compliance policies and procedures essential to performing its duties as the investment adviser to the Fund's wholly-owned subsidiary organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Acruence Cayman Subsidiary").

*Investment Performance of the Fund and the Adviser.* The Board considered the investment performance of the Fund and the Adviser. The Board also considered the Fund's performance (at net asset value) against its benchmark index and a custom peer group. The Board also considered that because the portfolio investment decision-making for the Fund is performed by the Sub-Adviser, the Fund's performance is not the direct result of investment decisions made by the Adviser.

The Board discussed the performance of the Fund on an absolute basis and in comparison to its benchmark index (the S&P 500 Total Return Index). The Board also considered comparative information prepared by the Adviser, in partnership with AltaVista Research, LLC, a third-party ETF research firm, utilizing a peer group selection process managed by Barrington Partners ("Barrington"), an independent investment management analytics consulting firm, comparing the Fund to a customized group of ETFs selected by Barrington (the "XVOL Peer Group"). The Board noted that the Fund underperformed the S&P 500 Total Return Index for the one-year, three-year, and since inception periods ended February 28, 2025. The Board also considered that the Fund had outperformed the XVOL Peer Group median and average for the one-year period ended February 28, 2025, but underperformed the XVOL Peer Group median and average for the three-year period ended February 28, 2025. The Board noted that the Fund ranked fourth out of 12 funds in the XVOL Peer Group for the one-year period ended February 28, 2025, and seventh out of eight funds in the XVOL Peer Group for the three-year period ended February 28, 2025.

After considering all of the information, the Board concluded that the performance of the Fund was satisfactory under current market conditions and that the Adviser has the

necessary expertise and resources in providing investment advisory services in accordance with the Fund's investment objective and strategies. Although past performance is not a guarantee or indication of future results, the Board determined that the Fund and its shareholders were likely to benefit from the Adviser's continued management.

*Cost of Services Provided and Profits Realized by the Adviser.* The Board considered the cost of services and the structure of the Adviser's advisory fee, including a review of comparative expenses, expense components and peer group selection. The Board took into consideration that the advisory fee for the Fund was a "unitary fee," meaning that the Fund pays no expenses other than the advisory fee and certain other costs such as interest, brokerage, and extraordinary expenses and, to the extent it is implemented, fees pursuant to the Fund's Rule 12b-1 Plan. The Board noted that the Adviser continues to be responsible for compensating the Fund's other service providers and paying the Fund's other expenses out of its own fees and resources, subject to an agreement with the Sub-Adviser and a separate third-party sponsor, Arbor Analytical LLC, who have each contractually agreed to assume a portion of such obligation in exchange for a corresponding portion of the profits, if any, generated by the Fund's unitary fee. The Board also considered the overall profitability of the Adviser and examined the level of profits accrued to the Adviser from the fees payable under the Advisory Agreement. The Board considered that the Fund's advisory fee of 0.83% was above the XVOL Peer Group average of 0.618%, and that the Fund's expense ratio of 0.85% (inclusive of 0.02% of broker interest and tax expenses) was above the XVOL Peer Group average of 0.624%.

The Board concluded that the Fund's expense ratio and the advisory fee were fair and reasonable in light of the comparative performance, advisory fee and expense information and the investment management services provided to the Fund by the Adviser given the nature of the Fund's investment strategy. The Board also evaluated, based on a profitability analysis prepared by the Adviser, the fees received by the Adviser and its affiliates from their relationship with the Fund, and the profitability of the unitary fee on an aggregate basis. The Board concluded that the fees had not been, and currently were not, excessive, and that while the Fund was not currently profitable on an aggregate basis, the Adviser had adequate financial resources to support its services to the Fund from the revenues of its overall investment advisory business. The Board also noted that the Adviser does not receive compensation with respect to the portfolio management of the Acruence Cayman Subsidiary.

*Extent of Economies of Scale as the Fund Grows.* The Board compared the Fund's expenses relative to its peer group and discussed realized and potential economies of scale. The Board considered the potential economies of scale that the Fund might realize under the structure of the advisory fee. The Board noted that the advisory fee did not contain any breakpoint reductions as the Fund's assets grow in size, but that the Adviser would evaluate future circumstances that may warrant breakpoints in the fee structure.

*Benefits Derived from the Relationship with the Fund.* The Board considered the direct and indirect benefits that could be received by the Adviser and its affiliates from association with the Fund. The Board concluded that the benefits the Adviser may receive, such as greater name recognition or the ability to attract additional investor assets, appear to be reasonable and in many cases may benefit the Fund.

*Conclusion.* Based on the Board's deliberations and its evaluation of the information described above, with no single factor determinative of a conclusion, the Board, including the

Independent Trustees, unanimously concluded that: (a) the terms of the Advisory Agreement are fair and reasonable; (b) the advisory fee is reasonable in light of the services that the Adviser provides to the Fund; and (c) the approval of the renewal of the Advisory Agreement for an additional one-year term ending April 20, 2026 was in the best interests of the Fund and its shareholders.

At the meeting held on April 3, 2025, the Board also considered the renewal of the sub-advisory agreement (the “Sub-Advisory Agreement”) for the Fund, entered into between the Adviser and Acruence. Prior to this meeting, the Board requested and received materials to assist them in considering the renewal of the Sub-Advisory Agreement. The materials provided contained information with respect to the factors enumerated below, including a copy of the Sub-Advisory Agreement, a memorandum prepared by outside legal counsel to the Trust and the Independent Trustees discussing in detail the Trustees’ fiduciary obligations and the factors they should assess in considering the renewal of the Sub-Advisory Agreement, due diligence materials prepared by the Sub-Adviser (including the due diligence response completed by the Sub-Adviser with respect to a specific request letter from outside legal counsel to the Trust and the Independent Trustees, the Sub-Adviser’s Form ADV, select ownership, organizational, financial and insurance information for the Sub-Adviser, biographical information of key management and compliance personnel, and the Sub-Adviser’s compliance manual and code of ethics) and other pertinent information. Based on their evaluation of the information provided, the Trustees, by a unanimous vote (including a separate vote of the Independent Trustees), approved the renewal of the Sub-Advisory Agreement for an additional one-year term.

*Nature, Extent and Quality of Services Provided.* The Board considered the nature, extent and quality of Acruence’s overall services provided to the Fund as well as its specific responsibilities in all aspects of day-to-day investment management of the Fund. The Board considered the qualifications, experience and responsibilities of Rob Emrich, III, and Mike Reddington who each serve as a portfolio manager for the Fund, as well as the responsibilities of other key personnel of Acruence involved in the day-to-day activities of the Fund. The Board reviewed the due diligence information provided by Acruence, including information regarding Acruence’s compliance program, its compliance personnel and compliance record, as well as Acruence’s cybersecurity program and business continuity plan. The Board noted that Acruence does not manage any other accounts that utilize a strategy similar to that employed by the Fund.

The Board also considered other services provided to the Fund, such as monitoring adherence to the Fund’s investment strategies and restrictions, monitoring compliance with various Fund policies and procedures and with applicable securities regulations, the investment purpose and potential benefits and risks of the Fund’s use of derivatives instruments, monitoring the extent to which the Fund meets its investment objective as an actively-managed ETF and quarterly reporting to the Board. The Board noted that Acruence is responsible for the Fund’s investment selection, subject to oversight by the Adviser.

The Board concluded that Acruence had sufficient quality and depth of personnel, resources, investment methods and compliance policies and procedures essential to performing its duties under the Sub-Advisory Agreement and managing the Fund and that the nature, overall quality and extent of the management services provided to the Fund, as well as Acruence’s compliance program (with such enhancements requested by the Adviser to be implemented by Acruence), were satisfactory.

*Investment Performance of the Fund and the Sub-Adviser.* In considering Fund performance, the Board noted that Acruence is responsible for selecting investments for the Fund. Accordingly, the Board discussed the performance of the Fund (at net asset value) on an absolute basis, in comparison to its benchmark index (the S&P 500 Total Return Index), and in comparison to the XVOL Peer Group. The Board noted that the Fund underperformed the S&P 500 Total Return Index for the one-year, three-year, and since inception periods ended February 28, 2025. The Board also considered that the Fund had outperformed the XVOL Peer Group median and average for the one-year period ended February 28, 2025, but underperformed the XVOL Peer Group median and average for the three-year period ended February 28, 2025. The Board noted that the Fund ranked fourth out of 12 funds in the XVOL Peer Group for the one-year period ended February 28, 2025, and seventh out of eight funds in the XVOL Peer Group for the three-year period ended February 28, 2025.

After considering all of the information, the Board concluded that the performance of the Fund was satisfactory under current market conditions and that Acruence has the necessary expertise and resources in providing investment advisory services in accordance with the Fund's investment objective and strategies. Although past performance is not a guarantee or indication of future results, the Board determined that the Fund and its shareholders were likely to benefit from Acruence's continued management.

*Cost of Services Provided and Profits Realized by the Sub-Adviser.* The Board considered the structure of the sub-advisory fees paid by the Adviser to Acruence under the Sub-Advisory Agreement. The Board noted that the Adviser represented to the Board that the sub-advisory fees payable under the Sub-Advisory Agreement were reasonable in light of the services performed by Acruence. Since the sub-advisory fees are paid by the Adviser, the overall advisory fees paid by the Fund are not directly affected by the sub-advisory fees paid to Acruence. Consequently, the Board did not consider the cost of services provided by Acruence or profitability from its relationship with the Fund to be material factors for consideration given that Acruence is not affiliated with the Adviser and, therefore, the sub-advisory fees paid to Acruence were negotiated on an arm's-length basis. Based on all of these factors, the Board concluded that the sub-advisory fees paid to Acruence by the Adviser reflected appropriate allocations of the advisory fees and were reasonable in light of the services provided by Acruence.

*Extent of Economies of Scale as the Fund Grows.* Since the sub-advisory fees payable to Acruence are not paid by the Fund, the Board did not consider whether the sub-advisory fees should reflect any realized or potential economies of scale that might be realized as the Fund's assets increase.

*Benefits Derived from the Relationship with the Fund.* The Board considered the direct and indirect benefits that could be received by Acruence from its association with the Fund. The Board concluded that the benefits Acruence may receive, such as greater name recognition or the ability to attract additional investor assets, appear to be reasonable and in many cases may benefit the Fund.

*Conclusion.* Based on the Board's deliberations and its evaluation of the information described above, with no single factor determinative of a conclusion, the Board, including the Independent Trustees, unanimously concluded that: (a) the terms of the Sub-Advisory Agreement are fair and reasonable; (b) the sub-advisory fees are reasonable in light of the services that Acruence provides to the Fund; and (c) the approval of the renewal of the Sub-Advisory Agreement for an additional term ending April 30, 2026 was in the best interests of

the Fund and its shareholders.