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# **Our Conviction in BCRED**

\$51.2B

total assets

substantial losses.

97%

senior secured debt1

98%

floating rate debt1

10.4%

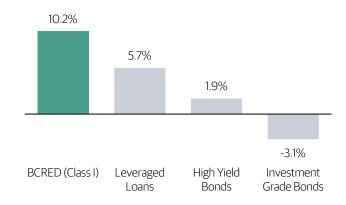
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# **Delivering Positive Performance** for Investors

- **10.4%** annualized distribution yield as of February 2024 (Class I)<sup>2</sup>
- 10.2% annualized total net return since inception (Class I)<sup>3</sup>

## BCRED Has Outperformed Fixed Income Markets<sup>4</sup>

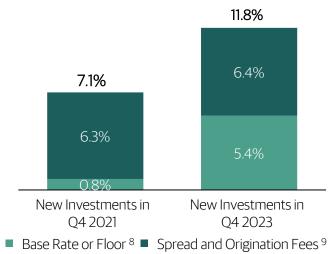
Inception-to-date total net return<sup>5</sup>



## **Opportunistic Lending Environment**

- As public markets remain dislocated, BCRED has benefited from:
  - Higher spreads and origination fees in new private deals
  - Enhanced lender protections and significant cushions<sup>6</sup>

## Increased Spreads and Origination Fees Driving Higher Income on New Deals<sup>7</sup>



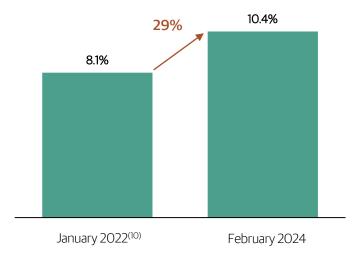
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#### Higher Income in Today's Market Environment

- 98% of BCRED's portfolio is floating rate debt,<sup>1</sup>
   which has driven a meaningful earnings increase across the portfolio this year
- This has allowed for a 29% increase in our annualized distribution yield as of February 2024

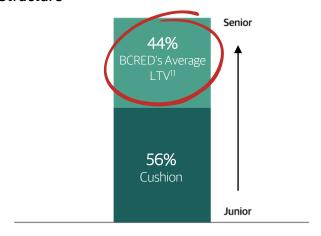
## BCRED's Distributions Have Grown Meaningfully



### **Defensive Portfolio Positioning**

- We believe the best place to be positioned in a recessionary environment is in senior secured assets, which are structured to be repaid before any junior or equity securities are paid
- Approximately 97%¹ of BCRED assets are senior secured debt at an average loan-to-value of 44%¹¹
- BCRED is positioned defensively with exposure to more than 500 companies and focused on highgrowth, historically resilient sectors
- The earnings of our portfolio companies continue to be healthy relative to cash interest payments

## BCRED's Loans are First Priority in Repayment Structure



Portfolio Company Value

### Repayments Offer Potential Upside to Current Valuation

- BCRED updates its valuations monthly to reflect changes in credit markets and individual company performance. Current valuations reflect higher margins for newly issued loans and factor in future potential credit losses
- Given BCRED's loans are contractually owed repayment at par (100)<sup>12</sup> or better, we believe that the portfolio's average 97.4 mark<sup>13</sup> includes embedded upside potential<sup>14</sup> in terms of credit performance

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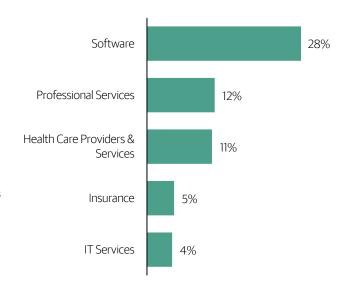
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### How is BCRED positioned to weather a weaker economic environment?

We believe that in a recessionary environment, investors will benefit from senior secured exposure and more defensive strategies like BCRED.

- Defensive Sector Selection: We believe BCRED's portfolio is focused on historically resilient sectors with high free cash flow generation
- Young Portfolio: BCRED's debt portfolio has a weighted average life of ~1.7 years<sup>16</sup> and was underwritten with the assumption of higher inflation and interest rates
- Large Scale: We invest in large, historically resilient companies<sup>17</sup> that have an average enterprise value of \$3B<sup>18</sup>
- Senior Position: Our loans are supported by significant equity in our portfolio companies' capital structures

#### Top 5 Industries in BCRED's Portfolio<sup>15</sup> At fair market value



## **Key Underwriting Theme: Software**

BCRED seeks to invest in mature, high-margin software market leaders - providing mission-critical solutions such as cyber security - with significant free cash flow generation to service their debt.

### How should shareholders think about BCRED's liquidity?

BCRED was built to weather challenging environments, with ample liquidity<sup>19</sup> and a structure that is designed to maximize long-term shareholder value.

- BCRED is investment grade rated by three rating agencies, reflecting the strength of the balance sheet<sup>20</sup>
- Net flows have remained positive since inception
- BCRED has \$10B+ of available liquidity<sup>21</sup> and manages a portfolio of liquid assets as an additional source of capital
- Loan repayments in private credit portfolios may provide BCRED with a long-term replenishing source of liquidity

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#### **END NOTES**

Note: Data is as of January 31, 2024, unless otherwise indicated. Returns for periods greater than one year are annualized. Past performance does not predict future returns and there can be no assurance that BCRED will achieve results comparable to those of any of Blackstone Credit & Insurance's prior funds or be able to implement its strategy or achieve its investment objectives, including due to an inability to access sufficient investment opportunities.

- As a percentage of BCRED's investment portfolio excluding equity investments in joint ventures which have similar portfolio composition and underlying qualities.
- 2. Annualized Distribution Yield reflects February's distribution annualized and divided by last reported NAV from January. Distributions are not guaranteed. Past performance does not predict future returns. Distributions have been and may in the future be funded through sources other than cash flow. See BCRED's prospectus. Please visit the Shareholders page on BCRED's website for notices regarding distributions subject to Section 19(a) of the Investment Company Act of 1940. We cannot guarantee that we will make distributions, and if we do we may fund such distributions from sources other than cash flow from operations, including the sale of assets, borrowings, return of capital, or offering proceeds, and although we generally expect to fund distributions from cash flow from operations, we have not established limits on the amounts we may pay from such sources. As of January 31, 2024, 100% of inception to date distributions were funded from cash flows from operations. A return of capital (1) is a return of the original amount invested, (2) does not constitute earnings or profits and (3) will have the effect of reducing the basis such that when a shareholder sells its shares the sale may be subject to taxes even if the shares are sold for less than the original purchase price. Distributions may also be funded in significant part, directly or indirectly, from temporary waivers or expense reimbursements borne by Blackstone Credit BDC Advisors LLC (the "Adviser") or its affiliates, that may be subject to reimbursement to the Adviser or its affiliates. The repayment of any amounts owed to our affiliates will reduce future distributions to which you would otherwise be entitled. Annualized Distribution Yield for other share classes are as follows: 9.5% for Class S and 10.1% for
- Total Net Return is calculated as the change in NAV per share during the period, plus distributions per share (assuming dividends and distributions are reinvested) divided by the beginning NAV per share. Returns greater than one year are annualized. Inception to date (ITD) total return for Class S (no/with upfront placement fee): 9.3%/8.0%. ITD total return for Class D (no/with upfront placement fee): 9.3%/8.7%. All returns shown are derived from unaudited financial information and are net of all BCRED expenses, including general and administrative expenses, transaction related expenses, management fees, incentive fees, and share class specific fees, but exclude the impact of early repurchase deductions on the repurchase of shares that have been outstanding for less than one year. Past performance does not predict future returns. Class D and Class S listed as (With Upfront Placement Fee or Brokerage Commissions) reflect the returns after the maximum upfront placement fees. Class D and Class S listed as (No Upfront Placement Fee or Brokerage Commissions) exclude upfront placement fees. Class I does not have upfront placement fees. The returns have been prepared using unaudited data and valuations of the underlying investments in BCRED's portfolio, which are estimates of fair value and form the basis for BCRED's NAV. Valuations based upon unaudited reports from the underlying investments may be subject to later adjustments, may not correspond to realized value and may not accurately reflect the price at which assets could be liquidated.
- 4. Please see "Index Definitions" and "Index Comparison" at the end of this communication for more information. Source: Morningstar, Blackstone Credit & Insurance as of January 31, 2024. "Leveraged Loans" is represented by Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index. "High Yield" is represented by the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index. "Investment Grade Bonds" is represented by the

- Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index. There can be no assurances that any of the trends described throughout this presentation will continue or will not reverse.
- 5. As of BCRED's inception on January 7, 2021 through January 31, 2024.
- 6. Although certain loans in which the Fund may invest will be secured by collateral, there can be no assurance that such collateral could be readily liquidated or that the liquidation of such collateral would satisfy the borrower's obligation in the event of non-payment of scheduled interest or principal.
- 7. For illustrative purposes only. The above may not be representative of any specific investment, all investments of a given type, or of investments generally. Past performance does not predict future returns. There can be no assurance that any Blackstone fund or investment will achieve its objectives or avoid substantial losses. Includes all privately originated deals funded in respective quarters. Q4 2021 and Q4 2023 represent periods of contrasting base rates. Yields reflect average spread and origination fees or OID (amortized over 3 years) of private deals completed during respective quarters. On average, in Q4 2021, new investments had 0.8% base rate or floor and 6.3% spread and origination fees while in Q4 2023, new investments had average 5.4% base rate or floor and 6.4% spread and origination fees.
- 8. Floating rate investments pay a rate of interest determined by reference to a base rate; the base rate may be subject to a minimum floor. For illustrative purposes only. SOFR, which stands for "Secured Overnight Financing Rate." SOFR is a replacement for LIBOR. LIBOR ceased 6/30/23. There can be no assurance that rates will rise or at any particular pace.
- For the purposes of this illustration, origination fees and OID estimated to be amortized over an expected hold period of three years.
- 10. January 2022 reflects the period prior to the Federal Reserve's series of rate increases.
- 11. As of December 31, 2023. Includes all private debt investments for which fair value is determined by BCRED's Board of Trustees (the "Board") in conjunction with a third-party valuation firm and excludes quoted assets and may reflect a normalized or adjusted amount. Average loan-to-value represents the net ratio of loan-to-value for each such portfolio company, weighted based on the fair value of total applicable BCRED private debt investments. Loan-to-value is calculated as the current total net debt through each respective loan tranche divided by the estimated enterprise value of the portfolio company as of the most recent quarter end. See BCRED's prospectus.
- 12. BCRED may choose to sell assets at prices less than par.
- 13. As of December 31, 2023.
- 14. This information is provided solely for illustrative purposes and is not a forecast or prediction of performance. This data assumes that all such assets in the portfolio are held to maturity and the fund experiences no losses with respect to such assets, notwithstanding that assets may default or suffer losses. Past performance does not predict future returns, and there can be no assurance that the Fund or Blackstone Credit & Insurance will achieve comparable results or that any entity or account managed by or advised by Blackstone Credit & Insurance will be able to implement its investment strategy, achieve its investment objectives or avoid losses.
- 15. Measured as the fair market value of investments for each category against the total fair market value of all investments. Totals may not sum due to rounding. BCRED's investment in Joint Ventures are excluded from the industry top 5.
- 16. As of September 30, 2023.
- 17. BCRED will generally invest in securities or loans rated below investment grade or not rated which should be considered to have speculative characteristics.
- 18. Based on the latest available net leverage, loan-to-value, and

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last-twelve-month EBITDA ("LTM EBITDA") data for each BCRED investment as of December 31, 2023, excluding quoted assets and investments in recurring revenue loans. Average implied enterprise value is weighted by fair value as of December 31, 2023. The number is presented for illustrative purposes and does not reflect actual realized proceeds to BXCI or to the equity sponsor or the company, and there can be no assurance that realized proceeds received by Blackstone or any investor in a Blackstone fund will be increased as a result. EBITDA is a non-GAAP financial measure. For a particular portfolio company, LTM EBITDA is generally defined as net income before net interest expense, income tax expense, depreciation and amortization over the preceding 12-month period. Currency fluctuations may have an adverse effect on the value, price or income and costs of our portfolio companies and investments which may increase or decrease as a result of changes in exchange rates.

- 19. As of December 31, 2023. Quarterly tender offers are expected but not guaranteed. We have implemented a share repurchase program under which, at the discretion of our Board, we intend to offer to repurchase, in each quarter, up to 5% of shares outstanding (either by number of shares or aggregate NAV) as of the close of the previous calendar quarter. For the avoidance of doubt, such target amount is assessed each calendar quarter. Only a limited number of shares will be eligible for repurchase, and repurchases will be subject to available liquidity and other significant restrictions. An investment in BCRED shares has limited or no liquidity outside of our share repurchase program, and the BCRED board of trustees may amend or suspend the share repurchase program at any time if in its reasonable judgment it deems such action to be in BCRED's best interest and the best interest of BCRED shareholders, such as when a repurchase offer would place an undue burden on BCRED liquidity, adversely affect operations or risk having an adverse impact on BCRED that would outweigh the benefit of the repurchase offer. As a result, share repurchases may not be available each quarter. Shares not held for one year will be repurchased at 98% of NAV. See BCRED's prospectus for more information.
- 20. As of December 31, 2023. BCRED has an investment grade credit rating of BBB (high) / stable from DBRS Morningstar, provided on November 2, 2023, and an investment grade credit rating of Baa3 / positive from Moody's, provided on September 14, 2023, and an investment grade credit rating of BBB- / stable from S&P, reiterated on December 20, 2023. The underlying loans in BCRED are not rated. Credit ratings are statements of opinions and are not statements of fact or recommendations to purchase, hold or sell securities. Blackstone provides compensation directly to DBRS/Morningstar, Moody's and S&P for its evaluation of BCRED. Credit ratings do not address the suitability of securities or the suitability of securities for investment purposes, and should not be relied on as investment advice.
- 21. As of December 31, 2023. Available liquidity is comprised of cash and cash equivalent plus the amount available to draw upon across all revolving credit facilities, net of limitations related to each respective credit facility's borrowing base.

#### Past Performance and Forward-Looking Statements

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- We have limited prior operating history and there is no assurance that we will achieve our investment objectives.
- This is a "blind pool" offering and thus you will not have the opportunity to evaluate our investments before we make them.
- You should not expect to be able to sell your shares regardless of how we perform.
- You should consider that you may not have access to the money you invest for an extended period of time.
- We do not intend to list our shares on any securities exchange, and we do not expect a secondary market in our shares to develop prior to any listing.
- Because you may be unable to sell your shares, you will be unable to reduce your exposure in any market downturn.
- We have implemented a share repurchase program, but only a limited number of shares will be eligible for repurchase and repurchases will be subject to available liquidity and other significant restrictions.
- An investment in our common shares is not suitable for you if you need access
  to the money you invest. See "Suitability Standards" and "Share Repurchase
  Program" in the prospectus.
- You will bear substantial fees and expenses in connection with your investment.
   See "Fees and Expenses" in the prospectus.
- We cannot guarantee that we will make distributions, and if we do we may fund such distributions from sources other than cash flow from operations, including the sale of assets, borrowings, return of capital or offering proceeds, and although we generally expect to fund distributions from cash flow from operations, we have not established limits on the amounts we may pay from such sources.
- Distributions may also be funded in significant part, directly or indirectly, from temporary waivers or expense reimbursements borne by Blackstone Credit BDC Advisors LLC ("the Adviser") or its affiliates, that may be subject to reimbursement to the Adviser or its affiliates. The repayment of any amounts owed to our affiliates will reduce future distributions to which you would otherwise be entitled.
- We use and continue to expect to use leverage, which will magnify the potential for loss on amounts invested in us.
- We intend to invest in securities that are rated below investment grade by rating
  agencies or that would be rated below investment grade if they were rated.
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  predominantly speculative characteristics with respect to the issuer's capacity to
  pay interest and repay principal. They may also be illiquid and difficult to value.
- We do not own the Blackstone name, but we are permitted to use it as part of our corporate name pursuant to the investment advisory agreement between BCRED and an affiliate of Blackstone Inc. ("Blackstone"). Use of the name by other parties or the termination of the use of the Blackstone name under the investment advisory agreement may harm our business.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities regulator has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if the prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is unlawful.

This sales material must be read in conjunction with the BCRED prospectus in order to fully understand all the implications and risks of an investment in BCRED. This sales material is neither an offer to sell nor a solicitation of an offer to buy securities. An offering is made only by the prospectus, which must be made available to you prior to making a purchase of shares and is available at www.BCRED.com. An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses of BCRED carefully before investing. Prior to making an investment, investors should read the prospectus, including the "Risk Factors" section therein, which contains a discussion of the risks and uncertainties that we believe are material to our business, operating results, prospects and financial condition.

Numerical data is approximate and as of January 31, 2024, unless otherwise noted. The words "we", "us", and "our" refer to BCRED, unless the context requires otherwise.

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Alternative investments involve complex tax structures, tax inefficient investing and delays in distributing important tax information. Individual funds have specific risks related to their investment programs that will vary from fund to fund. Investors should consult their own tax and legal advisors as Dealers generally do not provide tax or legal advice. BDCs are generally not taxed at the corporate level to the extent they distribute all of their taxable income in the form of dividends. Ordinary income dividends are taxed at individual tax rates and distributions may be subject to state tax. Each investor's tax considerations are different and consulting a tax advisor is recommended. Any of the data provided herein should not be construed as investment, tax, accounting or legal advice.

Interests in alternative investment products are distributed by the applicable Dealer and (1) are not FDIC-insured, (2) are not deposits or other obligations of such Dealer or any of its affiliates, and (3) are not guaranteed by such Dealer and its affiliates. Each Dealer is a registered broker-dealer or investment adviser, not a bank.

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#### Additional Important Disclosures, Continued

Blackstone Proprietary Data. Certain information and data provided herein is based on Blackstone proprietary knowledge and data. Portfolio companies may provide proprietary market data to Blackstone, including about local market supply and demand conditions, current market rents and operating expenses, capital expenditures, and valuations for multiple assets. Such proprietary market data is used by Blackstone to evaluate market trends as well as to underwrite potential and existing investments. While Blackstone currently believes that such information is reliable for purposes used herein, it is subject to change, and reflects Blackstone's opinion as to whether the amount, nature and quality of the data is sufficient for the applicable conclusion, and no representations are made as to the accuracy or completeness thereof

Case Studies. The selected investment examples, case studies and/ or transaction summaries presented or referred to herein may not be representative of all transactions of a given type or of investments generally and are intended to be illustrative of the types of investments that have been made or may be made by the Fund in employing the Fund's investment strategies. It should not be assumed that the Fund will make equally successful or comparable investments in the future. Moreover, the actual investments to be made by the Fund will be made under different market conditions from those investments presented or referenced and may differ substantially from the investments presented herein as a result of various factors. Prospective investors should also note that the selected investment examples, case studies and/or transaction summaries presented or referred to herein have involved Blackstone professionals who will be involved with the management and operations of the Fund as well as other Blackstone personnel who will not be involved in the management and operations of such Fund. Certain investment examples described herein may be owned by investment vehicles managed by Blackstone and by certain other third-party equity partners, and in connection therewith Blackstone may own less than a majority of the equity securities of such investment. Further investment details are available upon request.

**Exchange Rate.** Currency fluctuations may have an adverse effect on the value, price, income or costs of the product which may increase or decrease as a result of changes in exchange rates.

Recent Market Events Risk. Local, regional, or global events such as war (e.g., Russia/Ukraine), acts of terrorism, public health issues like pandemics or (e.g., COVID-19), recessions, or other economic, political and global macro factors and events could lead to a substantial economic downturn or recession in the U.S. and global economies and have a significant impact on the Fund and its investments. The recovery from such downturns is uncertain and may last for an extended period of time or result in significant volatility, and many of the risks discussed herein associated with an investment in the Fund may be increased.

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#### Index Definitions

**Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index** is a market value-weighted index designed to measure the performance of the US leveraged loan market based upon market weightings, spreads and interest payments.

**Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index** measures the USD-denominated, high yield, fixed-rate corporate bond market. Securities are classified as high yield if the middle rating of Moody's, Fitch and S&P is Ba1/BB+/BB+ or below.

**Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index** represents securities that are SEC-registered, taxable, and dollar denominated. The index covers the US investment grade fixed rate bond market, with index components for government and corporate securities, mortgage pass-through securities, and asset-backed securities. These major sectors are subdivided into more specific indices that are calculated and reported on a regular basis.

Index Comparison. The volatility and risk profile of the indices presented in this document is likely to be materially different from that of BCRED. In addition, the indices employ different investment guidelines and criteria than BCRED and do not employ leverage; as a result, the holdings in BCRED and the liquidity of such holdings may differ significantly from the securities that comprise the indices. The indices are not subject to fees or expenses and it may not be possible to invest in the indices. A summary of the investment guidelines for the indices presented is available upon request. Additional Information on Certain Indexes. Investment Grade Bonds is represented by the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. Leveraged Loans is represented by the Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index. High Yield is represented by the Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index. It is not possible to invest in any of the above indices. We believe that these indices are appropriate and accepted indexes representing common public fixed income asset classes.

An investment in BCRED has material differences from an investment in investment grade bonds, leveraged loans, and high yield bonds, including, among other things, those related to costs and expenses, liquidity, volatility, risk profile and tax treatment. Unlike BCRED shareholders, holders of bonds do not hold an ownership interest in the issuer. Investment grade bonds and high yield bonds are typically issued in \$1,000 or \$5,000 denominations and when purchased as a new issue, are not subject to fees or expenses. Leveraged loan denominations are negotiated by the issuer and arranger and typically are subject to fees and expenses. The purchase price of BCRED shares is generally the prior month's NAV per share for the applicable class, plus upfront selling commissions and dealer manager fees for Class S and D shares. Such shares classes are also subject to shareholder servicing fees.

While the liquidity of assets in public markets depends on its credit rating and market conditions, there exists a secondary market for such bonds. There is no public trading market for shares of BCRED and an investor's ability to dispose of shares will likely be limited to repurchase by us, subject to the limitations described in BCRED's prospectus.

The volatility and risk profile of public markets are also likely to be materially different from that of BCRED because, among other things, BCRED's shares are not fixed-rate debt instruments and such bonds represent debt issued by corporations across a variety of issuers with varying pricing, terms and conditions. BCRED's share price may be subject to less volatility because its per share NAV is based on the value of assets it owns and is not subject to market pricing forces in the same way as are the prices of bonds in public markets, but is not immune to fluctuations. The bonds in the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index and Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index bear a contractual interest rate for periods of over one year, whereas BCRED's yield is generated primarily by income from its underlying assets and these obligations are not rated. Furthermore, issuers of investment grade bonds and high yield bonds are contractually obligated to pay periodic interest and repay a fixed principal amount at maturity, whereas we cannot guarantee that we will make any distributions and investing in BCRED involves a high degree of risk, as described in BCRED's prospectus.

In addition, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, Bloomberg U.S. Corporate High Yield Index, and Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index employ different investment guidelines and criteria than BCRED; as a result, the assets in BCRED may differ significantly from the holdings of the securities that comprise these indexes.

Such bonds generally provide investors with current income, and BCRED's primary objective is to provide current income with some appreciation. While BCRED invests primarily in privately originated and privately negotiated U.S. first lien senior secured floating rate loans, an investment in BCRED is not a direct investment in the underlying portfolio companies and BCRED's investments are typically below investment grade. Latest available 1-month, 3-month, YTD, 1-year, 5-year, and 10-year returns for the indexes are as follows: Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index: -0.3%; 8.2%; -0.3%; 2.1%; 0.8%; 1.6%. Morningstar LSTA US Leveraged Loan Index: 0.7%; 3.6%; 0.7%; 11.1%; 5.4%; 4.4%. Bloomberg US Corporate High Yield Index: 0.0%; 8.4%; 0.0%; 9.3%; 4.4%; 4.5%.

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