

# The Ascensus | American Funds Pooled Employer Plan (PEP)

## Investment Lineup

A key benefit of the Ascensus | American Funds PEP is the ability for participating employers and plan participants to take advantage of a carefully cultivated portfolio of investment options. Overall plan responsibilities are greatly simplified for an employer—while the risks and liabilities inherent in managing a retirement plan fund lineup are assumed by the PEP’s investment manager.

- Newport Group, Inc., an Ascensus company, serves as the pooled plan provider (PPP) and 3(16) plan administrator. It is a named fiduciary and is responsible for performing many of the plan’s administrative and management activities.
- Wilshire® is the plan’s discretionary 3(38) investment manager. Wilshire is a diversified financial services firm and an SEC registered investment adviser with over \$88.5 billion in discretionary assets under management and over \$1.3 trillion in assets under advisement. As a trusted partner to more than 70,000 retirement plans<sup>1</sup> where Wilshire serves as an investment fiduciary, Wilshire has extensive processes and resources dedicated to helping participants achieve better investment outcomes.

Wilshire works closely with the PEP team to deliver a world-class institutional investment experience. Using its proprietary evaluation methodology, Wilshire is providing the following lineup of investments:<sup>2</sup>

Category	Fund	Ticker/ CUSIP	Expense Ratio
Capital Preservation	Morley Stable Value	852320381	0.40%
Interm-Term TIPS	American Funds Inflation Linked Bd R6	RILFX	0.29%
Interm-Term Core Bond	American Funds Bond Fund of Amer R6	RBFGX	0.22%
Interm-Term Core Plus Bond	BlackRock Total Return Bond Fund M CIT	09258C798	0.19%
High Yield Bond	BlackRock High Yield Bond	BRHYX	0.51%
World Bond	American Funds Capital World Bond R6	RCWGX	0.48%
All Cap Core	Russell 3000 Index Fund J	09261F770	0.02%
Large Cap Core	American Funds Washington Mutual R6	RWMGX	0.27%
Large Cap Growth	T. Rowe Price US Large-Cap Growth CIT, Class C	87282G308	0.45%
Large Cap Value	Avantis U.S. Large Cap Value Inst	AVLVX	0.16%
Small Cap Growth	T. Rowe Price Integrated US Sm Gr Eq I	TQAIK	0.66%
Small Cap Value	Avantis® U.S. Small Cap Value Instl	AVUVX	0.25%
Global Large Cap Growth	American Funds New Perspective R6	RNPGX	0.42%
Foreign Large Cap Core	BlackRock MSCI ACWI ex-US IMI Index Fund L	09261F820	0.06%
Foreign Large Cap Growth	American Funds Europacific Growth R6	RERGX	0.47%
Foreign Large Cap Value	T. Rowe Price International Value Equity CIT, Class D	87280G409	0.64%

Category	Fund	Ticker/ CUSIP	Expense Ratio
Emerging Markets	American Funds New World R6	RNWGX	0.57%
World Real Estate	Principal Global Real Estate Sec CIT	742538655	0.72%
Moderate Allocation	American Funds American Balanced R6	RLBGX	0.25%
Target 2010	American Funds 2010 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFTTX	0.29%
Target 2015	American Funds 2015 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFJTX	0.30%
Target 2020	American Funds 2020 Trgt Date Retire R6	RRCTX	0.31%
Target 2025	American Funds 2025 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFDTX	0.32%
Target 2030	American Funds 2030 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFETX	0.33%
Target 2035	American Funds 2035 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFFTX	0.35%
Target 2040	American Funds 2040 Trgt Date Retire R6	RF GTX	0.37%
Target 2045	American Funds 2045 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFHTX	0.37%
Target 2050	American Funds 2050 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFITX	0.38%
Target 2055	American Funds 2055 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFKTX	0.38%
Target 2060	American Funds 2060 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFUTX	0.39%
Target 2065	American Funds 2065 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFVTX	0.39%
Target 2070	American Funds 2070 Trgt Date Retire R6	RFBFX	0.39%

<sup>1</sup>Wilshire data as of September 30, 2023.

<sup>2</sup>Investment lineup and expense ratios as of May 28, 2024.

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