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Item 1 - Report to Stockholders

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The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging
The Funds utilize leveraging to seek to enhance the yield and net asset value of their Common Stock. However, these objectives cannot be achieved in all interest rate environments. To leverage, each Fund issues Preferred Stock, which pays dividends at prevailing short-term interest rates, and invests the proceeds in long-term municipal bonds. The interest earned on these investments, net of dividends to Preferred Stock, is paid to Common Stock shareholders in the form of dividends, and the value of these portfolio holdings is reflected in the per share net asset value of each Fund's Common Stock. However, in order to benefit Common Stock shareholders, the yield curve must be positively sloped; that is, short-term interest rates must be lower than long-term interest rates. At the same time, a period of generally declining interest rates will benefit Common Stock shareholders. If either of these conditions change, then the risks of leveraging will begin to outweigh the benefits.

To illustrate these concepts, assume a fund's Common Stock capitalization of $\$ 100$ million and the issuance of Preferred Stock for an additional $\$ 50$ million, creating a total value of $\$ 150$ million available for investment in long-term municipal bonds. If prevailing short-term interest rates are approximately $3 \%$ and long-term interest rates are approximately $6 \%$, the yield curve has a strongly positive slope. The fund pays dividends on the $\$ 50$ million of Preferred Stock based on the lower short-term interest rates. At the same time, the fund's total portfolio of $\$ 150$ million earns the income based on long-term interest rates.

In this case, the dividends paid to Preferred Stock shareholders are significantly lower than the income earned on the fund's long-term investments, and therefore the Common Stock shareholders are the beneficiaries of the incremental yield. However, if short-term interest rates rise, narrowing the differential between short-term and long-term interest rates, the incremental yield pickup on the Common Stock will be reduced or eliminated completely. At the same time, the market value of the fund's Common Stock (that is, its price as listed on the New York Stock Exchange) may, as a result, decline. Furthermore, if long-term interest rates rise, the Common Stock's net asset value will reflect the full decline in the price of the portfolio's investments, since the value of the fund's Preferred Stock does not fluctuate. In addition to the decline in net asset value, the market value of the fund's Common Stock may also decline.

As a part of their investment strategy, the Funds may invest in certain securities whose potential income return is inversely related to changes in a floating interest rate ("inverse floaters"). In general, income on inverse floaters will decrease when short-term interest rates increase and increase when short-term interest rates decrease. Investments in inverse floaters may be characterized as derivative securities and may subject the Funds to the risks of reduced or eliminated interest payments and losses of invested principal. In addition, inverse floaters have the effect of providing investment leverage and, as a result, the market value of such securities will generally be more volatile than that of fixed-rate, tax-exempt securities. To the extent the Funds invest in inverse floaters, the market value of each Fund's portfolio and the net asset value of each Fund's shares may also be more volatile than if the Funds did not invest in these securities. As of April 30, 2005, the percentages of MuniYield Fund, Inc.'s, MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.'s and MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.'s total net assets invested in inverse floaters were 8.09\%, 14.04\% and 13.54\%, respectively before the deduction of Preferred Stock.

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## A Letter From the President

Dear Shareholder

Financial markets faced a number of crosscurrents over the past several months, but most major benchmarks managed to post positive returns for the annual and semi-annual reporting periods ended April 30, 2005:

| U.S. equities (Standard \& Poor's 500 Index) | +3.28\% | $+6.34 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Small-cap U.S. equities (Russell 2000 Index) | -0.15\% | $+4.71 \%$ |


| International equities (MSCI Europe Australasia Far East Index) | +8.71\% | +14.95\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fixed income (Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index) | +0.98\% | + 5.26\% |
| Tax-exempt fixed income (Lehman Brothers Municipal Bond Index) | +1.93\% | + 6.81\% |
| High yield bonds (Credit Suisse First Boston High Yield Index) | +0.65\% | + 6.92\% |

After expanding at an annualized rate of $4.4 \%$ in 2004 , U.S. gross domestic product growth for the first quarter of 2005 came in at an estimated 3.1\% (although that figure was later revised upward to 3.5\%). Nevertheless, the Federal Reserve Board continued increasing interest rates at a measured pace to combat emergent inflation. The most recent hike came on May 3, and brought the federal funds rate to 3\%. Recently, signs of inflation have taken the form of rising business costs and increasing consumer prices, particularly in the areas of gasoline, healthcare, housing and education.
U.S. equities ended 2004 in a strong rally, but stumbled into negative territory in 2005. The market weakness was largely fueled by the potential for slowing economic and corporate earnings growth, renewed energy price concerns and a lack of investor conviction. On the positive side, certain sectors of the market have been performing well (particularly energy) and corporate transactions, such as mergers and acquisitions, stock buy-backs and dividend payouts, have all increased. International equities, especially in Asia, have benefited from higher economic growth rates.

In the bond market, we witnessed a yield curve flattening trend over the past several months as short-term yields increased and longer-term interest rates remained more stable or fell. At the end of April 2005, the two-year Treasury note yielded $3.66 \%$ and the 10 -year Treasury note yielded $4.21 \%$, a difference of 55 basis points (.55\%). This compared to a spread of 149 basis points six months earlier and 222 basis points 12 months ago.

Looking ahead, the environment is likely to be a challenging one for investors. With this in mind, we encourage you to meet with your financial advisor to review your goals and asset allocation and to rebalance your portfolio, as necessary, to ensure it remains aligned with your objectives and risk tolerance. As always, we thank you for trusting Merrill Lynch Investment Managers with your investment assets, and we look forward to serving you in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,
/s/ Robert C. Doll, Jr.

Robert C. Doll, Jr. President and Director

## A Discussion With Your Funds' Portfolio Managers

The Funds benefited from a strategic move toward the longer end of the municipal yield curve, which outperformed the short end as the curve flattening trend continued over the past six months.

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Describe the recent market environment relative to municipal bonds.

Amid significant volatility, long-term bond yields moved lower during the past six months as shorter-term yields increased. Recently, U.S. gross domestic product (GDP) for the first quarter of 2005 was preliminarily estimated at $3.1 \%$ -- coming in below many economists' expectations, although that estimate was later revised upward to $3.5 \%$. However, for all of 2004 , real GDP grew at an annualized rate of 4.4\%, well ahead of 2003 's annual rate of $3 \%$.

Nevertheless, it appeared that continued economic improvements were generally disregarded as investors focused on inflationary trends, currency-related demand for long-term U.S. securities, and interest rate action on the part of the Federal Reserve Board (the Fed). Over the past six months, 30-year Treasury bond yields declined 28 basis points (.28\%) to 4.51\%, while 10-year Treasury note yields rose 16 basis points to $4.21 \%$. The Fed, in the meantime, continued to raise short-term interest rates at each of its meetings throughout the period, and most recently increased the federal funds rate from $2.75 \%$ to $3 \%$ on May 3 . As short-term interest rates increased while longer-term interest rates fell, the yield curve continued to flatten.

Tax-exempt bond yields exhibited a similar pattern during the period. Yields on $30-y e a r ~ r e v e n u e ~ b o n d s, ~ a s ~ m e a s u r e d ~ b y ~ t h e ~ B o n d ~ B u y e r ~ R e v e n u e ~ B o n d ~ I n d e x, ~ f e l l ~ 14 ~$ basis points to $4.83 \%$. According to Municipal Market Data, yields on AAA-rated issues maturing in 30 years declined 23 basis points to $4.37 \%$ while AAA-rated bonds maturing in 10 years saw their yields rise 17 basis points to $3.57 \%$.

During the past six months, more than $\$ 186$ billion in tax-exempt bonds was underwritten, an increase of $7.5 \%$ versus the same period a year earlier. Issuance so far in 2005 has been boosted by a $32 \%$ increase in refunding issues as municipalities sought to refinance existing higher-coupon debt. These refunding issues have been heavily weighted in the 10 -year - 20 -year maturity range to lower the overall interest costs. This concentration has put pressure on intermediate tax-exempt bond yields while supporting longer-term bond prices.

Investor demand for municipal product remained generally positive during the period. Investment Company Institute statistics indicate that, year-to-date through March 31, 2005, net new cash flows into long-term municipal bond funds exceeded $\$ 1.3$ billion. This represented a significant improvement from the $\$ 516$ million seen during the same period in 2004 . However, AMG Data Services reports that weekly figures for the month of April have shown a modest reversal in the positive flows seen in the first three months of the year.

MuniYield Fund, Inc.

How did the Fund perform during the period?

For the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, the Common Stock of MuniYield Fund, Inc. had net annualized yields of $6.80 \%$ and $6.98 \%$, based on a period-end per share net asset value of $\$ 14.70$ and a per share market price of $\$ 14.34$, respectively, and $\$ .496$ per share income dividends. Over the same period, the total investment return on the Fund's Common Stock was $+6.38 \%$ based on a change in per share net asset value from $\$ 14.31$ to $\$ 14.70$, and assuming reinvestment of all distributions.

The Fund's total return, based on net asset value, significantly exceeded the $+3.83 \%$ average return of the Lipper General Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category for the six-month period. (Funds in this Lipper category invest primarily in municipal debt issues rated in the top four credit-rating categories. These funds can be leveraged via use of debt, preferred equity and/or reverse repurchase agreements.)

The key contributor to the Fund's outperformance was a strategy we employed

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during most of the period, which was based on our view that the municipal yield curve would flatten. In order to take advantage of that expectation, we moved a portion of bonds in the 10-year - 15-year maturity range further out on the curve to the 20 -year - 25 -year area. As our forecast was realized and the curve flattened significantly, longer-dated bonds outperformed those with shorter maturities, and Fund performance benefited accordingly.

We also were able to generate some incremental return for the portfolio through certain hedging strategies, employing both the swap and futures markets. In addition, we used about $20 \%$ of our permissible $25 \%$ exposure to non-investment grade and non-rated issues, a strategy that significantly benefited relative performance given the incremental yield generated by these
investments as well as the ongoing compression in credit spreads that benefited lower-quality issues.

In terms of sector exposure, we maintained a fairly large position in corporate-related tax-exempt debt, a significant portion of that in the high-yield municipal market (bonds rated BBB and lower or non-rated). We also had meaningful exposure to long-term care and healthcare-related debt, two areas that also are of a higher-yielding nature. Finally, we continued to pursue opportunities in tax-backed debt, bonds issued for development projects in both residential and commercial districts. Security selection in these areas of the municipal market requires a great deal of analytical work. For that, we were able to leverage the skill of our in-house staff of analysts, and were effectively able to capture much of the spread compression and outperformance generated by these sectors.

For a description of the Fund's total investment return based on a change in the per share market value of the Fund's Common Stock (as measured by the trading price of the Fund's shares on the New York Stock Exchange), and assuming reinvestment of dividends, please refer to the Financial Highlights section of this report. As a closed-end fund, the Fund's shares may trade in the secondary market at a premium or discount to the Fund's net asset value. As a result, total investment returns based on changes in the market value of the fund's Common Stock may vary significantly from total investment returns based on changes in the Fund's net asset value.

What changes were made to the portfolio during the period?
In recognition of the spread compression that has taken place in the municipal market for the past year or more, we began to reduce our exposure to some of the riskier, lower-rated credits. This involved some select sales of corporate-related debt, as well as a decrease in our exposure to tobacco-related bonds, an area that performed particularly well during the past six months. While the market fundamentals suggest continued demand for higher-yielding municipal assets, we believe some of the relative value in this area of the market has diminished given spreads that are already very tight. These sales also were made in a continued effort to improve the portfolio's credit profile and return to a more market-neutral exposure to credit product.

As mentioned earlier (and in our last report to shareholders), we continued to reposition the portfolio by adding longer-dated insured bonds, especially those with maturities in the 25 -year - 30-year range, and selling some of our shorter-dated holdings. Investing further out on the yield curve allowed us to benefit from the curve flattening trend while also accomplishing our goal of modestly extending the portfolio's average duration.

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For the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, the Fund's Auction Market Preferred Stock (AMPS) had an average yield of $1.59 \%$ for Series A, $1.85 \%$ for Series B, $1.53 \%$ for Series C, $1.87 \%$ for Series D, $1.76 \%$ for Series E, $1.70 \%$ for Series $F$ and $1.83 \%$ for Series $G$. At this point in the Fed's monetary tightening cycle, interest rate increases are having a material impact on the Fund's borrowing costs. The Fed raised the short-term interest rate target 100 basis points during the six-month period. Still, the tax-exempt yield curve remained relatively steep and continued to generate an income benefit to the holders of Common Stock from the leveraging of Preferred Stock. However, should the spread between short-term and long-term interest rates narrow, the benefits of leveraging will decline and, as a result, reduce the yield on the Fund's Common Stock. At the end of the period, the Fund's leverage amount, due to AMPS, was 34.43\% of total net assets. (For a more complete explanation of the benefits and risks of leveraging, see page 2 of this report to shareholders.)

How would you characterize the Fund's position at the close of the period?
At period-end, the Fund was positioned relatively neutral in terms of interest rate risk -- a posture we are likely to maintain in the near future. In terms of our view on the yield curve, we believe the majority of the flattening phenomenon is behind us. We would expect any additional flattening to be minor relative to the type of move we have seen thus far and, therefore, are not likely to continue reallocating the Fund's assets further out on the yield curve.

Overall, we are pleased with the portfolio's current structure and intend to continue our efforts to upgrade the portfolio's credit profile. We also will look to maintain our yield advantage, a strategy that has enabled the Fund to outperform its peers in a relatively stable interest rate environment.

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A Discussion With Your Funds' Portfolio Managers (continued)
MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.
How did the Fund perform during the period?
For the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, the Common Stock of MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. had net annualized yields of $6.36 \%$ and $6.74 \%$, based on a period-end per share net asset value of $\$ 15.41$ and a per share market price of $\$ 14.54$, respectively, and $\$ .486$ per share income dividends. Over the same period, the total investment return on the Fund's Common Stock was $+2.50 \%$, based on a change in per share net asset value from $\$ 15.54$ to $\$ 15.41$, and assuming reinvestment of all distributions.

The Fund's total return, based on net asset value, fell just short of the $+2.67 \%$ average return of the Lipper Insured Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category for the six-month period. (Funds in this Lipper category invest primarily in municipal debt issues insured as to timely payment. These funds can be leveraged via use of debt, preferred equity andor reverse repurchase agreements.)

While we maintained our focus on yield and continued to generate above-average income for our shareholders, the Fund's total return lagged the Lipper average over the past six months due to our relative underexposure to longer-maturity bonds that is, bonds with maturities of 25 years and longer. We were overexposed, relatively, to bonds with maturities of less than 20 years. As the municipal yield curve flattened over the past six months, longer-maturity bonds significantly outperformed shorter-maturity issues. While we have been pursuing a strategy of moving further out on the yield curve, generally into the 25 - year

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maturity range, we were not able to effect this trade as much as we would have liked in the current low interest rate environment. Because many of the shorter-maturity bonds booked in the portfolio have greater yields than those available in the current environment, we were reluctant to give them up in order to extend our average portfolio maturity. Although this benefited the Fund's yield, it detracted from total return during this particular period. Further compounding our inability to purchase longer-dated bonds was the fact that recent supply has been largely concentrated in the short-term and intermediate-term range.

For a description of the Fund's total investment return based on a change in the per share market value of the Fund's Common Stock (as measured by the trading price of the Fund's shares on the New York Stock Exchange), and assuming reinvestment of dividends, please refer to the Financial Highlights section of this report. As a closed-end fund, the Fund's shares may trade in the secondary market at a premium or discount to the Fund's net asset value. As a result, total investment returns based on changes in the market value of the Fund's Common Stock can vary significantly from total investment returns based on changes in the Fund's net asset value.

What changes were made to the portfolio during the period?

We did not significantly alter the Fund's structure or our strategy over the past six months. We continued to favor municipal bonds in the 25 -year maturity range, and with premium coupons, when available. This supports our defensive market posture in that these bonds offer coupon protection when interest rates move higher. We generally maintained the Fund's fully invested position throughout the period, seeking to enhance shareholder income.

As mentioned earlier, the major market phenomenon over the past six months was a flattening of the yield curve. Yields on shorter-term bonds, specifically those with maturities under 15 years or 20 years, rose rather significantly. Yields on longer-term bonds, generally those past the 20 -year range, actually declined. At period-end, the spread between AAA-rated municipal bonds with 10-year maturities and those with 30 -year maturities was approximately 80 basis points. This compared to a spread of approximately 120 basis points six months ago. Given that bond prices move in the opposite direction of yields, the result has been that bonds on the long end of the municipal yield curve performed well while short-term bonds lagged.

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In light of this market action, our strategy of targeting new purchases in the 25-year area has been prudent. However, whereas we previously had been active sellers of bonds in the 10 -year range (redeploying the proceeds further out on the curve), that strategy proved more challenging as the curve flattened. Essentially, longer-term bond prices were increasing as shorter-term bonds cheapened. Also, many bonds in the portfolio, although they have shorter maturities, are booked at much higher yields than could be obtained in the current low interest rate environment. Thus, we were reluctant to give up the additional yield and jeopardize our shareholders' income. Nevertheless, our major investment theme remained intact and any other residual cash in the portfolio (from coupon payments, maturities or bond calls, for example) was deployed in the long end.

For the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, the Fund's Auction Market Preferred Stock (AMPS) had an average yield of $1.71 \%$ for Series A, $1.80 \%$ for Series B, $1.95 \%$ for Series $C$ and $1.79 \%$ for Series D. At this point in the Fed's monetary tightening cycle, interest rate increases are having a material impact on the Fund's borrowing costs. The Fed raised the short-term interest rate

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target 100 basis points during the six-month period. Still, the tax-exempt yield curve remained relatively steep and continued to generate an income benefit to the holders of Common Stock from the leveraging of Preferred Stock. However, should the spread between short-term and long-term interest rates narrow, the benefits of leveraging will decline and, as a result, reduce the yield on the Fund's Common Stock. At the end of the period, the Fund's leverage amount, due to AMPS, was $29.90 \%$ of total net assets. (For a more complete explanation of the benefits and risks of leveraging, see page 2 of this report to shareholders.)

How would you characterize the Fund's position at the close of the period?

We remain focused on premium-coupon bonds and continue to favor maturities in the 25-year range. We maintained a slightly defensive market posture at the close of the period in recognition of generally healthy economic conditions. We believe this positioning prepares the Fund for relative outperformance once long-term market interest rates eventually begin to follow short-term interest rates higher. In the meantime, our fully invested stance should continue to provide an income benefit to Common stock shareholders.

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A Discussion With Your Funds' Portfolio Managers (concluded)
MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.

How did the Fund perform during the period?
For the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, the Common Stock of MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. had net annualized yields of $6.35 \%$ and $6.92 \%$ based on a period-end per share net asset value of $\$ 13.71$ and a per share market price of $\$ 12.58$, respectively, and $\$ .432$ per share income dividends. Over the same period, the total investment return on the Fund's Common Stock was $+3.39 \%$, based on a change in per share net asset value from $\$ 13.72$ to $\$ 13.71$, and assuming reinvestment of all distributions.

The Fund's total return, based on net asset value, exceeded the $+2.67 \%$ average return of the Lipper Insured Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category for the six-month period. (Funds in this Lipper category invest primarily in municipal debt issues insured as to timely payment. These funds can be leveraged via use of debt, preferred equity and/or reverse repurchase agreements.)

The Fund's positive results during the period are primarily attributed to four factors. First was our ability to continue generating an above-average yield. Second was the advance refunding of several bonds in the portfolio. When municipal bonds are advance refunded, or refinanced ahead of their maturity date, their prices generally increase sharply. Third was an especially strong performance of a relatively large uninsured credit. Uninsured bonds performed quite well as credit spreads (versus bonds of higher quality but similar maturity) continued to narrow over the past several months. Taken together, all these factors allowed the Fund to outperform the Lipper category average despite our maintaining a defensive market posture. (That is, we were positioned for rising interest rates, while long-term interest rates actually declined during the period.)

For a description of the Fund's total investment return based on a change in the per share market value of the Fund's Common Stock (as measured by the trading price of the Fund's shares on the New York Stock Exchange), and assuming reinvestment of dividends, please refer to the Financial Highlights section of this report. As a closed-end fund, the Fund's shares may trade in the secondary market at a premium or discount to the Fund's net asset value. As a result,

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total investment returns based on changes in the market value of the Fund's Common Stock can vary significantly from total investment returns based on changes in the Fund's net asset value.

What changes were made to the portfolio during the period?

We did not significantly alter the Fund's structure or our strategy over the past six months. We continued to favor municipal bonds in the 25 -year maturity range, and with premium coupons, when available. This supports our defensive market posture, in that these bonds offer coupon protection when interest rates move higher. We generally maintained the Fund's fully invested position throughout the period, seeking to enhance shareholder income.

The major market phenomenon over the past six months was a flattening of the yield curve. Yields on shorter-term bonds, specifically those with maturities under 15 years or 20 years, rose rather significantly. Yields on longer-term bonds, generally those past the 20 -year range, actually declined. At period-end, the spread between AAA-rated municipal bonds with 10-year maturities and those with 30 -year maturities was approximately 80 basis points. This compared to a spread of approximately 120 basis points six months ago. Given that bond prices move in the opposite direction of yields, the result has been that bonds on the long end of the municipal yield curve did well while short-term bonds lagged.

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In light of this market action, our strategy of targeting new purchases in the 25-year area has been successful. However, whereas we previously had been active sellers of bonds in the 10 -year range (redeploying the proceeds further out on the curve), that strategy proved more challenging as the curve flattened. Essentially, longer-term bond prices were increasing as shorter-term bonds cheapened. Also, many bonds in the portfolio, although they have shorter maturities, are booked at much higher yields than could be obtained in the current low interest rate environment. Thus, we were reluctant to give up the additional yield and jeopardize our shareholders' income. Nevertheless, our major investment theme remained intact and any other residual cash in the portfolio (from coupon payments, maturities or bond calls, for example) was deployed in the long end.

For the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, the Fund's Auction Market Preferred Stock (AMPS) had an average yield of $1.69 \%$ for Series A, $1.86 \%$ for Series B and $\mathbf{1 . 7 9 \%}$ for Series C. At this point in the Fed's monetary tightening cycle, interest rate increases are having a material impact on the Fund's borrowing costs. The Fed raised the short-term interest rate target 100 basis points during the six-month period. Still, the tax-exempt yield curve remained relatively steep and continued to generate an income benefit to the holders of Common Stock from the leveraging of Preferred Stock. However, should the spread between short-term and long-term interest rates narrow, the benefits of leveraging will decline and, as a result, reduce the yield on the Fund's Common Stock. At the end of the period, the Fund's leverage amount, due to AMPS, was 32. $85 \%$ of total net assets. (For a more complete explanation of the benefits and risks of leveraging, see page 2 of this report to shareholders.)

How would you characterize the Fund's position at the close of the period?
We remain focused on premium-coupon bonds and continue to favor maturities in the 25-year range. We maintained a slightly defensive market posture at the close of the period in recognition of generally healthy economic conditions. We believe this positioning prepares the Fund for relative outperformance once long-term market rates eventually begin to follow short-term interest rates higher. In the meantime, our fully invested stance should continue to provide an

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| Portfolio Information |  |  |
| Quality Profiles as of April 30, 2005 |  |  |
| MuniYield Fund, Inc. by $\begin{gathered}\text { Percent of } \\ \text { Total }\end{gathered}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| S\&P/Moody's Rating |  | Investments |
| AAA/Aaa |  | 40.4\% |
| AA/Aa |  | 6.7 |
| A/A |  | 14.1 |
| BBB/Baa |  | 10.4 |
| BB/Ba |  | 8.3 |
| B/B |  | 3.1 |
| CCC/Caa ... |  | 2.1 |
| NR (Not Rated) |  | 13.0 |
| Other* . |  | 1.9 |
| * Includes portfolio holdings in variable rate demand n |  |  |
|  |  | Percent of |
| MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. by S\&P/Moody's Rating |  | Total <br> Investments |
| AAA/Aaa |  | 87.7\% |
| AA/Aa |  | 3.2 |
| A/A |  | 5.8 |
| BBB/Baa |  | 0.4 |
| BB/Ba |  | 1.9 |
| NR (Not Rated) |  | 0.2 |
| Other* . . . . . |  | 0.8 |

* Includes portfolio holdings in variable rate demand notes.

| MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. by S\&P/Moody's Rating | Percent of Total <br> Investments |
| :---: | :---: |
| AAA/Aaa | 87.2\% |
| AA/Aa | 3.9 |
| A/A | 6.7 |
| BBB/Baa | 0.4 |
| NR (Not Rated) | 1.0 |
| Other* | 0.8 |

* Includes portfolio holdings in variable rate demand notes.


## Swap Agreements

The Funds may invest in swap agreements, which are over-the-counter contracts in which one party agrees to make periodic payments based on the change in market value of a specified bond, basket of bonds, or index in return for periodic payments based on a fixed or variable interest rate or the change in market value of a different bond, basket of bonds or index. Swap agreements may be used to obtain exposure to a bond or market without owning or taking physical custody of securities. Swap agreements involve the risk that the party with whom each Fund has entered into a swap will default on its obligation to pay the Fund and the risk that the Fund will not be able to meet its obligations to pay the other party to the agreement.

Dividend Policy

The Funds' dividend policy is to distribute all or a portion of their net investment income to their shareholders on a monthly basis. In order to provide shareholders with a more stable level of dividend distributions, the Funds may at times pay out less than the entire amount of net investment income earned in any particular month and may at times in any month pay out such accumulated but undistributed income in addition to net investment income earned in that month. As a result, the dividends paid by the Funds for any particular month may be more or less than the amount of net investment income earned by the funds during such month. The Funds' current accumulated but undistributed net investment income, if any, is disclosed in the Statement of Net Assets, which comprises part of the financial information included in these reports.

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Schedule of Investments
MuniYield Fund, Inc. (in Thousands)

| State | Face <br> Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama--1.3\% | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 2,500 \\ 5,250 \end{array}$ | Huntsville, Alabama, Health Care Authority Revenue Bonds, Ser due 6/01/2032 <br> Jefferson County, Alabama, Limited Obligation School Warrants 5.50\% due 1/01/2022 |
| Arizona--10.1\% | $\begin{aligned} & 5,825 \\ & 7,030 \\ & 5,240 \\ & 3,400 \end{aligned}$ | Arizona State Transportation Board, Highway Revenue Bonds, Su <br> 5\% due 7/01/2021 <br> 5\% due 7/01/2022 <br> 5\% due 7/01/2023 <br> Maricopa County, Arizona, IDA, Education Revenue Bonds (Arizo Charter Schools Project 1), Series A, 6.75\% due 7/01/2029 Maricopa County, Arizona, IDA, M/F Housing Revenue Refunding Ridge Housing Corporation), Series A-1 (d) (g): |
|  | $5,000$ | 6\% due 10/20/2031 |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 5,800 \\ & 6,900 \end{aligned}$ | Phoenix, Arizona, IDA, Airport Facility Revenue Refunding Bon (America West Airlines Inc. Project), AMT: $\begin{aligned} & 6.25 \% \text { due } 6 / 01 / 2019 \\ & 6.30 \% \text { due } 4 / 01 / 2023 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Phoenix, Arizona, IDA, M/F Housing Revenue Bonds (Summit Apar |

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| State | Face Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| California (concluded) | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 5,500 \\ 7,500 \\ 5,000 \\ 5,000 \\ 9,520 \\ 18,400 \\ 1,250 \\ \\ 5,145 \\ 7,465 \end{array}$ | ```Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation of California Revenue Bonds: Series A-3, 7.875% due 6/01/2042 Series A-4, 7.80% due 6/01/2042 Series B, 5.50% due 6/01/2018 Series B, 5.375% due 6/01/2028 Series B, 5.50% due 6/01/2043 Los Angeles, California, Unified School District, GO, Series due 7/01/2023 (i) Sacramento County, California, Sanitation District Financing Revenue Refunding Bonds, Trust Receipts, Class R, Series A, 8.664% due 12/01/2019 (m) Santa Clara, California, Subordinated Electric Revenue Bonds, 5% due 7/01/2022 (e) University of California Revenue Bonds (Multiple Purpose Proj 5% due 9/01/2021 (i)``` |
| Colorado--4.9\% | $\begin{array}{r} 470 \\ 8,000 \\ 5,325 \\ \\ 1,735 \\ 5,065 \\ 1,300 \\ 6,850 \end{array}$ | Colorado HFA, Revenue Refunding Bonds (S/F Program), AMT, Ser 6.90\% due 4/01/2029 <br> Denver, Colorado, City and County Airport Revenue Bonds, AMT, 7.75\% due 11/15/2013 (c) <br> Denver, Colorado, Urban Renewal Authority, Tax Increment Reve (Pavilions), AMT, 7.75\% due 9/01/2016 <br> Elk Valley, Colorado, Public Improvement Revenue Bonds (Publi Series A: $\begin{aligned} & 7.10 \% \text { due } 9 / 01 / 2014 \\ & 7.35 \% \text { due } 9 / 01 / 2031 \end{aligned}$ <br> Moffat County, Colorado, PCR, Refunding (PacifiCorp Projects) 2.98\% due 5/01/2013 (c) (k) <br> Plaza Metropolitan District No. 1, Colorado, Tax Allocation (Public Improvement Fees), 8\% due 12/01/2025 |
| Connecticut--0.9\% | $\begin{array}{r} 5,000 \\ 525 \end{array}$ | Bridgeport, Connecticut, Senior Living Facilities Revenue Bon (3030 Park Retirement Community Project), 7.25\% due 4/01/2035 Connecticut State Development Authority, IDR (AFCO Cargo BDL7.35\% due 4/01/2010 |
| Florida--4.1\% | $\begin{array}{r} 11,500 \\ 5,000 \\ 5,450 \\ 3,000 \end{array}$ | ```Hillsborough County, Florida, IDA, Exempt Facilities Revenue Gypsum), AMT: Series A, 7.125% due 4/01/2030 Series B, 7.125% due 4/01/2030 Midtown Miami, Florida, Community Development District, Speci Revenue Bonds, Series B, 6.50% due 5/01/2037 Santa Rosa Bay Bridge Authority, Florida, Revenue Bonds, 6.25``` |
| Georgia--4.0\% | $\begin{array}{r} 12,140 \\ 4,600 \end{array}$ | Atlanta, Georgia, Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series A, due 1/01/2016 (h) <br> Atlanta, Georgia, Tax Allocation Bonds (Atlantic Station Proj |

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|  | $\begin{aligned} & 1,400 \\ & \\ & 2,285 \\ & 3,305 \end{aligned}$ | due 12/01/2024 <br> Atlanta, Georgia, Water and Wastewater Revenue Bonds, VRDN, $3 \%$ due 11/01/2041 (i) (k) <br> Brunswick \& Glynn County, Georgia, Development Authority, Fir Revenue Bonds (Coastal Community Retirement Corporation Proje $7.125 \% \text { due 1/01/2025 }$ $7.25 \% \text { due 1/01/2035 }$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Idaho--1.6\% | $\begin{array}{r} 425 \\ 10,000 \end{array}$ | Idaho Housing Agency, S/F Mortgage Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series C-2, 7.15\% due 7/01/2023 <br> Power County, Idaho, Industrial Development Corporation, Soli Disposal Revenue Bonds (FMC Corporation Project), AMT, 6.45\% |
| Illinois--4.1\% | $\begin{array}{r} 745 \\ 13,200 \\ 150 \\ 3,285 \\ 2,925 \\ 4,000 \end{array}$ | Beardstown, Illinois, IDR (Jefferson Smurfit Corp. Project), Chicago, Illinois, O'Hare International Airport Revenue Bonds Series B-2, 6\% due 1/01/2029 (j) <br> Chicago, Illinois, S/F Mortgage Revenue Bonds, AMT, Series B, 9/01/2027 (f) (g) (1) <br> Illinois Development Finance Authority Revenue Bonds (Presbyt Lake Project), Series B, 6.30\% due 9/01/2022 (i) <br> Illinois Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds Health Care), VRDN, Series A, 2.98\% due 5/15/2029 (i) (k) <br> Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, Illinois, Dedicat Revenue Bonds (McCormick Place Expansion), Series A, 5.50\% du |


| State | Face Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indiana--1.2\% | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 2,850 \\ 4,350 \end{array}$ | Indiana Municipal Power Agency, Power Supply System Revenue 5\% due 1/01/2029 <br> 5\% due 1/01/2032 |
| Kansas--0.2\% | 1,250 | Lenexa, Kansas, Health Care Facility Revenue Bonds (Lakeview Series C, 6.875\% due 5/15/2032 |
| Kentucky--0.5\% | 3,000 | Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority, Health Syste Bonds (Norton Healthcare Inc.), Series A, 6.625\% due 10/01/20 |
| Louisiana--3.0\% | 19,000 | Port New Orleans, Louisiana, IDR, Refunding (Continental Grai 6.50\% due 1/01/2017 |
| Maryland--1.1\% | $\begin{aligned} & 3,000 \\ & 4,000 \end{aligned}$ | Maryland State Energy Financing Administration, Limited Oblig (Cogeneration--AES Warrior Run), AMT, 7.40\% due 9/01/2019 Maryland State Health and Higher Educational Facilities Autho Refunding Bonds (University of Maryland Medical System), 6\% |
| Massachusetts--2.7\% | $\begin{array}{r} 6,640 \\ 10,000 \end{array}$ | Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Sales Tax Revenue Senior Series A, 5\% due 7/01/2032 <br> Massachusetts State Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue due 1/01/2029 (h) |
| Michigan--0.9\% | 6,060 | Macomb County, Michigan, Hospital Finance Authority, Hospital |



[^0]| New Jersey (concluded) | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 4,360 \\ 20,575 \\ 7,500 \end{array}$ | Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Revenue Refunding Series 177, 8.681\% due 10/15/2032 (e) (m) <br> Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, Special Obligatio DRIVERS, AMT, Series 192, 8.191\% due 12/01/2025 (e) (m) Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation of New Jersey, Asse Revenue Refunding Bonds, 6\% due 6/01/2037 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| New York--18.5\% | $\begin{array}{r} 2,200 \\ 5,595 \\ 1,250 \\ 10,000 \\ 5,000 \\ 14,000 \\ \\ 2,000 \\ 10,000 \\ 10,000 \\ 9,375 \\ \\ 5,000 \\ 315 \\ 8,360 \\ 2,500 \\ \hline 9,400 \\ 10,000 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Dutchess County, New York, IDA, Civic Facility Revenue Refun (Saint Francis Hospital), Series A, 7.50\% due 3/01/2029 Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York, Commuter Fa Bonds, RITR, Series 9, 6.10\% due 7/01/2006 (b) (h) (m) <br> New York City, New York, City IDA, Special Facilities Revenu <br> (British Airways Plc Project), 7.625\% due 12/01/2032 <br> (Terminal One Group Association Project), 6.125\% due 1 <br> New York City, New York, City Municipal Water Finance Author <br> Sewer System Revenue Bonds, DRIVERS, Series 198, 8.211\% due <br> New York City, New York, City Municipal Water Finance Author <br> Sewer System, Revenue Refunding Bonds, 5.50\% due 6/15/2033 <br> New York City, New York, GO, Refunding (h): <br> Series G, 5.75\% due 2/01/2006 (b) <br> Trust Receipts, Series R, 9.432\% due 5/15/2014 (m) <br> New York City, New York, GO, Series M, 5\% due 4/01/2021 <br> New York City, New York, Sales Tax Asset Receivable Corporat <br> Series A, 5\% due 10/15/2029 (c) <br> New York State Dormitory Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds Health), Series A: $\begin{aligned} & 6.75 \% \text { due } 7 / 01 / 2020 \\ & 6.50 \% \text { due } 7 / 01 / 2025 \end{aligned}$ <br> New York State Dormitory Authority, Supported Debt Revenue R (Department of Health), Series A, 5\% due 7/01/2023 (n) Suffolk County, New York, IDA, IDR, Refunding (Nissequogue C Facility), <br> AMT, 5.50\% due 1/01/2023 <br> Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation of New York Revenue <br> 5.50\% due 6/01/2021 <br> Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority, New York, Subordinat 5.25\% due 11/15/2030 <br> Westchester County, New York, IDA, Continuing Care Retiremen (Kendal on Hudson Project), Series A: $6.375 \% \text { due } 1 / 01 / 2024$ <br> $6.50 \%$ due 1/01/2034 |
| North Carolina--1.9\% | $\begin{array}{r} 2,710 \\ 4,750 \\ 290 \\ 885 \\ 1,000 \\ 2,000 \end{array}$ | Charlotte, North Carolina, Airport Revenue Bonds, Series A, North Carolina Eastern Municipal Power Agency, Power System Series D, 6.75\% due 1/01/2026 <br> North Carolina HFA, Home Ownership Revenue Bonds, AMT, Serie due 7/01/2016 <br> North Carolina HFA, S/F Revenue Bonds, Series II, 6.20\% due North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Health Care Facilitie Revenue Bonds (Arbor Acres Community Project), 6.375\% due 3/0 North Carolina Medical Care Commission, Health Care Housing (The ARC of North Carolina Projects), Series A, 5.80\% due 10 |
| Ohio--2.8\% | $\begin{aligned} & 1,410 \\ & 2,250 \\ & 2,175 \\ & 5,000 \end{aligned}$ | Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Mortgage Revenue Bonds (West Tech Apa <br> AMT ( g ) : $\begin{aligned} & 5.75 \% \text { due } 9 / 20 / 2020 \\ & 5.85 \% \text { due } 9 / 20 / 2030 \end{aligned}$ <br> Lucas County, Ohio, Health Care Facility Revenue Refunding an (Sunset Retirement Communities), Series A, 6.625\% due 8/15/20 Mason, Ohio, City School District, GO (School Improvement), |

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| State | Face Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oklahoma--0.1\% | 900 | Oklahoma State Industries Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds VRDN, Series B, 2.98\% due 8/15/2029 (e) (k) |
| Oregon--1.6\% | $\begin{aligned} & 4,405 \\ & 3,460 \\ & 1,830 \end{aligned}$ | Oregon State Department of Administrative Services, COP, Seri due 5/01/2010 (b) (c) <br> Oregon State, GO, Refunding (Veterans Welfare), Series 80A, Portland, Oregon, Housing Authority, Housing Revenue Bonds (B University Place), Series A, 5.875\% due 1/01/2022 |
| Pennsylvania--5.8\% | $\begin{array}{r} 200 \\ 5,270 \\ 16,270 \\ \\ 1,265 \\ 3,650 \\ 4,000 \\ 5,000 \end{array}$ | Geisinger Authority, Pennsylvania, Health System Revenue Refu Health Systems), VRDN, 2.98\% due 8/01/2028 (k) <br> Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority, Exempt Bonds (National Gypsum Company), AMT, Series A, 6.25\% due 11/ Pennsylvania State Higher Educational Facilities Authority, Refunding Bonds (Allegheny Delaware Valley Obligation), Serie due 11/15/2016 (e) <br> Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Authority for IDR, Commercial Dev <br> 7.75\% due 12/01/2017 <br> (Days Inn), Refunding, Series B, 6.50\% due 10/01/2027 <br> (Doubletree), Refunding, Series A, 6.50\% due 10/01/2027 <br> Sayre, Pennsylvania, Health Care Facilities Authority, Revenu Healthcare System), Series B, 7.125\% due 12/01/2031 |
| Rhode Island--0.4\% | $\begin{aligned} & 1,225 \\ & 1,195 \end{aligned}$ | ```Woonsocket, Rhode Island, GO (h): 6% due 10/01/2017 6% due 10/01/2018``` |
| Tennessee--2.3\% | $\begin{array}{r} 4,610 \\ 10,000 \end{array}$ | Hardeman County, Tennessee, Correctional Facilities Corporati 7.75\% due 8/01/2017 <br> McMinn County, Tennessee, IDB, Solid Waste Revenue Bonds (Rec Facility--Calhoun Newsprint), AMT, 7.40\% due 12/01/2022 |
| Texas--16.7\% | $\begin{aligned} & 5,000 \\ & 5,000 \\ & 5,000 \end{aligned}$ | ```Alliance Airport Authority, Inc., Texas, Special Facilities  Airlines Inc. Project), AMT, 7.50% due 12/01/2029 Austin, Texas, Convention Center Revenue Bonds (Convention Er First Tier, Series A: 6.70% due 1/01/2028 6.70% due 1/01/2032 Bexar County, Texas, Housing Finance Corporation, M/F Housing``` |

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| State | Face Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Texas (concluded) | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 7,030 \\ 5,200 \\ 3,900 \\ 5,000 \\ 6,500 \\ 7,020 \end{array}$ | Matagorda County, Texas, Navigation District Number 1, Revenu (Reliant Energy Inc.), Series C, 8\% due 5/01/2029 <br> Nueces River Authority, Texas, Water Supply Facilities, Reven (Corpus Christi Lake Project), 5\% due 7/15/2026 (i) <br> Port Corpus Christi, Texas, Individual Development Corporatio Facilities Revenue Bonds (Citgo Petroleum Corporation Project due 11/01/2031 <br> Red River Authority, Texas, PCR, Refunding (Celanese Project) 6.70\% due 11/01/2030 <br> Texas State Turnpike Authority, Central Texas Turnpike Systen Tier, Series A, 5.50\% due 8/15/2039 (c) <br> Tyler, Texas, Waterworks and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 5.70\% due |
| Utah--0.3\% | $\begin{array}{r} 400 \\ 1,545 \end{array}$ | Salt Lake County, Utah, PCR, Refunding (Service Station Holdi Series B, 2.97\% due 8/01/2007 (k) <br> Utah State Board of Regents, Revenue Refunding Bonds (Univers Facilities), Series A, 5.50\% due 4/01/2018 (e) |

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* Represents a zero coupon bond; the interest rate shown reflects the effective yield at the time of purchase by the Fund.
** The cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments as of April 30, 2005, as computed for federal income tax purposes, were as follows:
(in Thousands)

| Aggregate cost | \$929,068 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Gross unrealized appreciation | \$ 63,493 |
| Gross unrealized depreciation | $(3,502)$ |
| Net unrealized appreciation | \$ 59,991 |

(a) Radian Insured.
(b) Prerefunded.
(c) AMBAC Insured.
(d) FHA Insured.
(e) MBIA Insured.
(f) FNMA Collateralized.
(g) GNMA Collateralized.
(h) FGIC Insured.
(i) FSA Insured.
(j) XL Capital Insured.
(k) Security may have a maturity of more than one year at time of issuance, but has variable rate and demand features which qualify it as a short-term security. The rate disclosed is that currently in effect. This rate changes periodically based upon prevailing market rates.
(l) FHLMC Collateralized.
(m) The rate disclosed is that currently in effect. This rate changes periodically and inversely based upon prevailing market rates.
(n) CIFG Insured.

Investments in companies considered to be an affiliate of the Fund (such companies are defined as "Affiliated Companies" in Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940) were as follows:
(in Thousands)

| Affiliate | $\begin{gathered} \text { Net } \\ \text { Activity } \end{gathered}$ | Dividend Income |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Merrill Lynch Institutional Tax-Exempt Fund | $(9,413)$ | \$34 |

Financial futures contracts sold as of April 30, 2005 were as follows:
(in Thousands)

| Number of Contracts | Issue | Expiration <br> Date | Face <br> Value | Unrealized Depreciation |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1,500 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 10-Year U.S. } \\ & \text { Treasury Notes } \end{aligned}$ | June 2005 | \$164,767 | \$ 2,366 ) |

See Notes to Financial Statements.
(in Thousands)

| State | Face Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska--0.5\% | \$ 2,100 | Alaska State International Airports Revenue Bonds, Series B, due 10/01/2019 (a) |
| Arizona--0.6\% | 2,345 | Maricopa County, Arizona, Public Finance Corporation, Lease Series 511X, 7.74\% due 7/01/2014 <br> (a) (i) |
| California--20.8\% | $\begin{aligned} & 1,250 \\ & 4,150 \\ & \\ & 1,400 \\ & 1,000 \\ & \\ & 5,700 \\ & 6,000 \\ & 7,700 \\ & 2,850 \\ & 3,300 \\ & 2,500 \\ & 3,200 \\ & \\ & 5,000 \\ & 7,080 \\ & 4,050 \\ & 3,000 \\ & 1,870 \\ & 1,600 \\ & 7,300 \\ & 2,000 \\ & 2,000 \\ & 16,895 \\ & 1,950 \end{aligned}$ | Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, California, Capita Refunding Bonds, Subordinate Lien, Series A, 4.738\%** due 10/ Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, California, Revenu Subordinated Lien, Series A, 5.525\%** due 10/01/2025 (a) California State Department of Water Resources, Power Supply Series A: <br> 5.375\% due 5/01/2021 <br> 5.375\% due 5/01/2022 (g) <br> California State, GO, Refunding: <br> 5.25\% due 9/01/2026 <br> 5.25\% due 2/01/2030 (b) <br> 5.25\% due 2/01/2030 (g) <br> California State, GO, Refunding, ROLS, Series II-R-272, 7.356 California State, Various Purpose, GO: <br> 5.50\% due 4/01/2028 <br> 5.25\% due 11/01/2029 <br> $5.50 \%$ due 11/01/2033 <br> Golden State Tobacco Securitization Corporation of California Revenue Bonds: <br> RIB, Series RR II R 285X, 7.883\% due 6/01/2043 (b) (i) <br> RIB, Series RR II R 287X, 8.136\% due 6/01/2038 (i) (k) <br> Series B, 5.60\% due 6/01/2028 <br> Series B, 5.50\% due 6/01/2033 (b) <br> Series B, 5.625\% due 6/01/2033 (b) <br> Series B, 5.50\% due 6/01/2043 (b) <br> Los Angeles, California, Unified School District, GO, Series (g) <br> Mount Diablo, California, Unified School District, GO (Electi due 7/01/2027 (d) <br> Poway, California, Redevelopment Agency, Tax Allocation Refun Redevelopment Project), 5.125\% due 6/15/2033 (a) <br> San Francisco, California, City and County, COP (San Bruno Ja 5.25\% due 10/01/2033 (a) <br> Tamalpais, California, Union High School District, GO (Electi due 8/01/2028 (f) |
| Colorado--6.7\% | 1,650 <br> 1,600 <br> 1,000 <br> 1,530 <br> 695 <br> 945 | Colorado Health Facilities Authority Revenue Bonds, Series A: (Catholic Health Initiatives), 5.50\% due 3/01/2032 (c) (Covenant Retirement Communities Inc.), 5.50\% due 12/01 (Covenant Retirement Communities Inc.), 5.50\% due 12/01 Colorado Housing and Finance Authority, Revenue Refunding Bon (S/F Program), Series B-2, 6.80\% due 2/01/2031 (g) (S/F Program), Series C-2, 8.40\% due 10/01/2021 (e) (g) Series C-2, 7.05\% due 4/01/2031 (e) (g) |

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| 1,400 | Series C-2, 7.25\% due $10 / 01 / 2031$ (a) |
| ---: | :--- |
| 465 | Series E-2, 7\% due $2 / 01 / 2030$ (g) |
| 6,405 | Denver, Colorado, City and County, COP, Series B, 5.75\% due |
| 9,000 | E-470 Public Highway Authority, Colorado, Capital Appreciatio |
| 14,800 | Bonds, Series B, $5.485 \% *$ due $9 / 01 / 2029$ (g) |
|  | Northwest Parkway, Colorado, Public Highway Authority, Capita <br> Bonds, Senior Convertible, Series C, $5.345 \% * * ~ d u e ~ 6 / 15 / 2025 ~$ |



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|  | $\begin{array}{r} 31,350 \\ 5,500 \\ 10,000 \\ 3,750 \\ \\ 7,000 \\ 3,500 \end{array}$ | ```5.224%** due 6/15/2030 5% due 6/15/2032 Illinois State, GO, First Series, 5.50% due 8/01/2018 (f) Illinois Student Assistance Commission, Student Loan Revenue Sub-Series CC, 6.875% due 3/01/2015 Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, Illinois, Dedicat Refunding Bonds (McCormick Place Expansion Project): 5.50% due 12/15/2024 (d) Series B, 5.75% due 6/15/2023 (g)``` |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Indiana--1.5\% | $\begin{aligned} & 4,500 \\ & 2,000 \end{aligned}$ | ```Indiana Transportation Finance Authority, Highway Revenue Bon 5.25% due 6/01/2029 (d) Indianapolis, Indiana, Local Public Improvement Bond Bank Rev Project), Series A, 5.25% due 7/01/2033 (g)``` |
| Louisiana--5.1\% | $\begin{aligned} & 8,500 \\ & 6,800 \\ & 5,000 \\ & 1,900 \end{aligned}$ | Louisiana Local Government, Environmental Facilities, Communi Authority Revenue Bonds (Capital Projects and Equipment Acqui $6.30 \%$ due 7/01/2030 (a) <br> New Orleans, Louisiana, Ernest N. Morial Exhibit Hall Authori <br> (a): <br> 5.25\% due 7/15/2028 <br> 5\% due 7/15/2033 <br> Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, Hospital Service District Numbe Bonds (Terrebonne General Medical Center Project), 5.50\% due |

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| Ohio--1.1\% | $\begin{aligned} & 2,500 \\ & 2,000 \end{aligned}$ | Columbus, Ohio, City School District, GO (School Facilities Improvements), 5.25\% due 12/01/2027 (f) <br> Jackson, Ohio, Hospital Facilities Revenue Bonds (Consolidate Hospital), 6.125\% due 10/01/2009 (h) (j) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oklahoma--0.8\% | $\begin{aligned} & 1,250 \\ & 1,000 \\ & 1,000 \end{aligned}$ | ```Tulsa, Oklahoma, Airports Improvement Trust, General Revenue International Airport), AMT (d): Series A, 6% due 6/01/2020 Series B, 6% due 6/01/2019 Series B, 6.125% due 6/01/2026``` |
| Oregon--2.0\% | 7,500 | Portland, Oregon, Sewer System Revenue Bonds, RIB, Series 386 $9.96 \%$ due $8 / 01 / 2020$ (d) (i) |
| Pennsylvania--7.9\% | $\begin{array}{r} 2,000 \\ 800 \\ 6,000 \\ 11,750 \\ 6,250 \\ 7,170 \end{array}$ | ```Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, Port Authority, Special Trans 6% due 3/01/2009 (g)(h) Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, Sanitation Authority, Sewer 5.50% due 12/01/2030 (g) Pennsylvania State Public School Building Authority, School I (The School District of Philadelphia Project) (f): 5.25% due 6/01/2025 5% due 6/01/2033 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Authority for Industrial Developm Bonds, Series B, 5.50% due 10/01/2021 (f) Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, School District, GO, Series B, 5. due 8/01/2012 (d) (h)``` |
| Rhode Island--0.6\% | 2,500 | Providence, Rhode Island, GO, Series A, 5.70\% due 7/15/2007 |
| South Carolina--2.9\% | $\begin{array}{r} 20,000 \\ 3,045 \\ 3,800 \end{array}$ | Piedmont Municipal Power Agency, South Carolina, Electric Rev Sub-Series A-2, 4.915\%** due 1/01/2028 (a) <br> South Carolina State Public Service Authority, Revenue Refund Series 277, 8.188\% due 1/01/2022 (g) (i) <br> Spartanburg County, South Carolina, Solid Waste Disposal Faci <br> (BMW Project), AMT, 7.55\% due 11/01/2024 |
| Tennessee--6.2\% | $\begin{aligned} & 17,000 \\ & 5,000 \\ & 2,075 \\ & 2,390 \end{aligned}$ | ```Chattanooga, Tennessee, IDB, Lease Rent Revenue Bonds (Souths Corporation), 5.875% due 10/01/2024 (a) Memphis--Shelby County, Tennessee, Airport Authority, Airport Series D, 6.25% due 3/01/2018 (a) Tennessee HDA, Homeownership Revenue Bonds, AMT, Series 2-C 6.10% due 7/01/2013 6.20% due 7/01/2015``` |

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|  | 1,400 | $5.75 \%$ due 1/01/2032 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1,000 | ```Bell County, Texas, Health Facilities Development Revenue Bon Health Care System), 6.50% due 7/01/2019 (c) Dallas-Fort Worth, Texas, International Airport Revenue Refun Bonds, AMT, Series A (d):``` |
|  | 1,835 | 5.875\% due 11/01/2017 |
|  | 2,145 | 5.875\% due 11/01/2018 |
|  | 2,385 | 5.875\% due 11/01/2019 |
|  | 5,235 | ```Denton, Texas, Utility System Revenue Bonds, RIB, Series 369, due 12/01/2017 (f)(i) Gregg County, Texas, Health Facilities Development Corporatio Bonds (Good Shepherd Medical Center Project) (j):``` |
|  | 6,000 | 6.875\% due 10/01/2020 |
|  | 2,600 | 6.375\% due 10/01/2025 |
|  | 4,000 | Harris County, Houston, Texas, Sports Authority, Revenue Refu Lien, Series G, 5.75\% due 11/15/2020 (g) |
|  | 2,700 | Houston, Texas, Airport System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Sub-I 5.50\% due 7/01/2030 (f) |
|  | 10,000 | Houston, Texas, Hotel Occupancy Tax and Special Revenue Refun Center), Series B, 5.14\%** due 9/01/2027 |
|  | 9,250 | Leander, Texas, Independent School District, Capital Apprecia (School Building), 5.46\%** due 8/15/2028 (d) |
|  | 7,150 | North Harris County, Texas, Regional Water Authority, Senior 5.125\% due 12/15/2035 (g) |
|  | 7,200 | Texas State Turnpike Authority, Central Texas Turnpike System First Tier, Series A, 5.75\% due 8/15/2038 (a) |
|  | 4,600 | Travis County, Texas, Health Facilities Development Corporati Bonds (Ascension Health Credit), Series A, 6.25\% due 11/15/20 |
| Utah--3.8\% | 15,000 | Salt Lake City, Utah, Hospital Revenue Refunding Bonds (IHC H $6.30 \%$ due 2/15/2015 (g) |
| Virginia--2.1\% | 6,000 <br> 3,100 | ```Fairfax County, Virginia, EDA, Resource Recovery Revenue Refu Series A, 6.05% due 2/01/2009 (a) Halifax County, Virginia, IDA, Exempt Facility Revenue Refunc Electric Cooperative Project), AMT, 5.625% due 6/01/2028 (a)``` |
| Washington--5.7\% | 10,000 | Energy Northwest, Washington, Electric Revenue Bonds, DRIVERS 8.19\% due 7/01/2017 (g) (i) |
|  | 2,835 | King County, Washington, Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds, Serie due 1/01/2027 (f) |
|  | 2,400 | Port of Tacoma, Washington, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series $A$ due 12/01/2034 (a) |
|  | 7,500 | Washington State, GO, Series A and AT-6, 6.25\% due 2/01/2011 |
| Wisconsin--0.2\% | 1,000 | Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, Airport Revenue Bonds, AMT, Seri due 12/01/2025 (d) |

[^2]Schedule of Investments (concluded)
MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. (in Thousands)

Face
Amount Municipal Bonds

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| State | Face <br> Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska--0.5\% | \$ 1,400 | Alaska State International Airports Revenue Bonds, Series B, due 10/01/2019 (a) |
| Arizona--1.0\% | 2,700 | Northern Arizona University System Revenue Bonds, 5.50\% due |
| California--23.6\% | $\begin{aligned} & 8,150 \\ & 2,500 \\ & 2,490 \end{aligned}$ | Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority, California, Revenu Subordinated Lien, Series A, 5.319\%** due 10/01/2025 (a) California Health Facilities Financing Authority Revenue Bonc RIB, Series 26, 7.69\% due 6/01/2022 (f) (l) <br> California State Department of Water Resources, Power Supply Series A, 5.375\% due 5/01/2022 (i) <br> California State, GO, Refunding: |

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|  | 9,325 | Connecticut State Resource Recovery Authority, Revenue Refun Series 187, 7.72\% due 11/15/2011 (i) (1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Georgia--4.2\% | $\begin{aligned} & 5,000 \\ & 5,000 \\ & 1,900 \end{aligned}$ | Atlanta, Georgia, Airport General Revenue Refunding Bonds, Se due 1/01/2033 (f) <br> Atlanta, Georgia, Airport Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series A, due 1/01/2017 (c) <br> Augusta, Georgia, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 5.25\% due 10 |
| Illinois--21.2\% | $\begin{array}{r} 3,250 \\ 3,500 \\ 5,200 \\ 2,200 \\ 4,750 \\ 2,830 \\ 3,000 \\ 900 \\ 10,000 \\ 23,850 \\ 3,625 \end{array}$ | Chicago, Illinois, Board of Education, GO (Chicago School Re 5.25\% due 12/01/2030 (a) <br> Chicago, Illinois, Gas Supply Revenue Refunding Bonds (Peopl Series A, 6.10\% due 6/01/2025 (a) <br> Chicago, Illinois, O'Hare International Airport Revenue Bond Series B-2: $\begin{aligned} & 5.75 \% \text { due } 1 / 01 / 2023 \text { (f) } \\ & 6 \% \text { due } 1 / 01 / 2029 \text { (h) } \end{aligned}$ <br> Chicago, Illinois, O'Hare International Airport, Revenue Refu VRDN, AMT, Series $844 Z, 7.382 \%$ due $7 / 01 / 2010$ (i) (l) <br> Chicago, Illinois, Park District, GO, Refunding, Series C, 5 Cook County, Illinois, Capital Improvement, GO, Series C, 5. Illinois Health Facilities Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds Hospitals), VRDN, 2.98\% due 8/01/2026 (i)(n) <br> Illinois Regional Transportation Authority Revenue Bonds, 6. Illinois Sports Facilities Authority, State Tax Supported Re 5.274\%** due 6/15/2030 (a) <br> Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, Illinois, Dedicat Refunding Bonds, DRIVERS, Series 269, 8.064\% due 6/15/2023 ( |
| Indiana--2.9\% | $\begin{aligned} & 3,750 \\ & 3,000 \\ & 1,500 \end{aligned}$ | ```Indiana Transportation Finance Authority, Highway Revenue Bon 5.25% due 6/01/2028 5.25% due 6/01/2029 Indianapolis, Indiana, Local Public Improvement Bond Bank Rev Project), Series A, 5.25% due 7/01/2033 (i)``` |
| Kansas--1.7\% | $\begin{aligned} & 1,370 \\ & 2,295 \\ & 1,240 \end{aligned}$ | Sedgwick and Shawnee Counties, Kansas, S/F Mortgage-Backed Re Series A-2, 7.60\% due 12/01/2031 (g) (i) <br> Sedgwick and Shawnee Counties, Kansas, S/F Mortgage-Backed Re AMT, Series A-2, 6.45\% due 12/01/2033 (e) (i) <br> Sedgwick and Shawnee Counties, Kansas, S/F Revenue Bonds (Mor Program), AMT, Series A-1, 6.875\% due 12/01/2026 (g) (i) |
| Louisiana--4.3\% | $\begin{aligned} & 2,555 \\ & 3,900 \\ & 4,650 \\ & 1,300 \end{aligned}$ | Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, Home Mortgage Authority, S/F Mor AMT, Series B-1, 6.65\% due 12/01/2033 (e) (i) <br> Louisiana Local Government, Environmental Facilities, Commun Authority Revenue Bonds (Capital Projects and Equipment Acqui $6.30 \%$ due $7 / 01 / 2030$ (a) <br> New Orleans, Louisiana, Ernest N. Morial Exhibit Hall Author Sub-Series A, 5.25\% due 7/15/2028 (a) <br> Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, Hospital Service District Numbe Bonds (Terrebonne General Medical Center Project), 5.50\% due |
| Massachusetts--2.7\% | $\begin{array}{r} 1,265 \\ 1,375 \\ 2,785 \\ 1,800 \\ 550 \end{array}$ | Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, Sales Tax Revenue Senior Series A: $\begin{aligned} & 5 \% \text { due } 7 / 01 / 2032 \\ & 5 \% \text { due } 7 / 01 / 2035 \end{aligned}$ <br> Massachusetts State Port Authority, Special Facilities Revenu <br> AMT, Series 501, 7.654\% due 7/01/2009 (a) (1) <br> Massachusetts State Special Obligation Dedicated Tax Revenue 5.25\% due 1/01/2028 (c) <br> Massachusetts State Water Resource Authority, General Revenue Series B, 5.125\% due 8/01/2027 (i) |

Schedule of Investments (continued)
MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. (in Thousands)

| State | Face Amount | Municipal Bonds |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Michigan--6.0\% | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 8,900 \\ 1,300 \\ 2,685 \\ 1,000 \\ 3,900 \end{array}$ | Detroit, Michigan, Water Supply System Revenue Bonds, Series due 7/01/2032 (i) <br> Michigan Higher Education Student Loan Authority, Student Loa Bonds, AMT, Series XVII-G, 5.20\% due 9/01/2020 (a) <br> Michigan State, HDA, Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series C, 5.90\% <br> Michigan State Strategic Fund, Limited Obligation Revenue Ref <br> Edison Company Project), AMT (h): <br> Series A, 5.50\% due 6/01/2030 <br> Series C, 5.45\% due 12/15/2032 |
| Missouri--2.0\% | $\begin{aligned} & 4,000 \\ & 1,500 \end{aligned}$ | ```Saint Louis County, Missouri, Pattonville R-3 School District Deposit Program) (c)(j): 5.75% due 3/01/2010 6% due 3/01/2010``` |
| Nevada--3.5\% | $\begin{aligned} & 2,800 \\ & 1,500 \\ & 2,700 \\ & 3,300 \end{aligned}$ | Carson City, Nevada, Hospital Revenue Bonds (Carson--Tahoe Ho A, 5.50\% due 9/01/2033 (k) <br> Clark County, Nevada, Airport System Subordinate Lien Revenue Series A-2 (c): $\begin{aligned} & 5 \% \text { due 7/01/2030 } \\ & 5 \% \text { due } 7 / 01 / 2036 \end{aligned}$ <br> Director of the State of Nevada, Department of Business and I (Las Vegas Monorail Company Project), First Tier, 5.375\% due |
| New Jersey--5.8\% | $\begin{array}{r} 3,000 \\ 1,070 \\ 500 \\ 2,400 \\ 4,800 \\ 2,300 \\ 2,000 \end{array}$ | Garden State Preservation Trust of New Jersey, Open Space and Revenue Bonds, Series A, 5.80\% due 11/01/2021 (f) <br> New Jersey EDA, Cigarette Tax Revenue Bonds: <br> 5.75\% due 6/15/2029 <br> 5.50\% due 6/15/2031 <br> New Jersey EDA, Motor Vehicle Surcharge Revenue Bonds, Series <br> 5\% due 7/01/2029 <br> 5.25\% due 7/01/2033 <br> New Jersey EDA Revenue Bonds, ROLS (l) (m) : <br> Series II-R-309-1, 7.883\% due 6/15/2024 <br> Series II-R-309-2, 7.883\% due 6/15/2031 |
| New Mexico--2.4\% | 6,295 | New Mexico State Highway Commission, Tax Revenue Bonds, Senio 6\% due 6/15/2010 (f) (j) |
| New York--10.6\% | $\begin{aligned} & 2,500 \\ & 9,280 \\ & 2,500 \\ & 2,720 \\ & 5,000 \end{aligned}$ | Erie County, New York, IDA, School Facility Revenue Bonds <br> 5.75\% due 5/01/2026 (f) <br> Nassau Health Care Corporation, New York, Health System Reven <br> 5.75\% due 8/01/2009 (f) (j) <br> New York City, New York, City Transitional Finance Authority <br> Future Tax Secured, Series C, 5.50\% due 11/01/2024 <br> New York City, New York, GO, Series D, 5.875\% due 6/01/2021 <br> New York State Dormitory Authority, Revenue Refunding Bonds |

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* The cost and unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments as of April 30, 2005, as computed for federal income tax purposes, were as follows:
(in Thousands)


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Swap Index Rate and pay a fixed
rate of $3.88 \%$
Broker, JPMorgan Chase Bank
Expires July $2015 \quad \$ 15,000$(559)
Receive a variable rate equal to 7-DayBond Market Association MunicipalSwap Index Rate and pay a fixed
rate of $4.187 \%$
Broker, Morgan Stanley Capital
Services, Inc.
Expires June $2025 \quad \$ 19,000$

| Total | \$ (840) |
| :---: | :---: |

See Notes to Financial Statements.
As of April 30, 2005 MuniYield $\quad$ Fund, Inc.

Assets
$\begin{aligned} & \\ & \text { Investments in unaffiliated securities, at value* } \ldots \ldots \ldots\end{aligned}$
Preferred Stock

Preferred Stock, at redemption value, par value $\$ .05$ per share** of AMPS@ at $\$ 25,000$ per share liquidation preference



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MuniYield Fund, Inc.


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Statements of Changes in Net Assets MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.

Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets:
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April 30,

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## Operations



Net Assets Applicable to Common Stock
Total increase (decrease) in net assets applicable to
Common Stock . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
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$306,764,13$
End of period* . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
$\$ 306,582,11$

* Undistributed investment income--net ................
$===========$
\$ $4,835,66$

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Financial Highlights
MuniYield Fund, Inc.

The following per share data and ratios have been derived from information provided in the financial statements.

For the Six Months

Ended April 30, 2005

2004

Per Share Operating Performance

| Net asset value, beginning of period | \$ | 14.31 | \$ | 13.85 | \$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Investment income--net |  | . 550 |  | 1.09@ |  |
| Realized and unrealized gain (loss)--net. |  | . 40 |  | . 41 |  |
| Less dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders from investment income--net ................ |  | (.07) |  | $(.07)$ |  |
| Total from investment operations |  | . 88 |  | 1.43 |  |
| Less dividends to Common Stock shareholders from investment income--net ................. |  | (.49) |  | (.96) |  |
| Offering and underwriting costs resulting from issuance of Preferred Stock .......... |  | -- |  | (.01) |  |
| Net asset value, end of period | \$ | 14.70 | \$ | 14.31 | \$ |
| Market price per share, end of period | \$ | 14.34 | \$ | 13.74 | \$ |
| Total Investment Return** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Based on net asset value per share |  | $6.38 \%$ @ |  | $11.04 \%$ |  |
| Based on market price per share |  | 8.08\%@@ |  | 11.11\% |  |

Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Common Stock

| Total expenses, net of reimbursement*** | $1.01 \%$ * | . $97 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total expenses*** | $1.01 \%$ * | . $98 \%$ |
| Total investment income--net*** | 7. $68 \%$ * | $7.75 \%$ |
| Amount of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders | . $92 \%$ * | . $51 \%$ |
| Investment income--net, to Common Stock shareholders | $6.76 \%$ * | $7.24 \%$ |
| Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Preferred Stock |  |  |
| Dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders | 1.74\%* | 1.05\% |


Series $\mathrm{F}+--$ Investment income--net ..........
Series G++--Investment income--net .........

| \$ | 212 | \$ | 253 | \$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 228 | \$ | 60 |  |

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* Annualized.
** Total investment returns based on market value, which can be significantly
    greater or lesser than the net asset value, may result in substantially
    different returns. Total investment returns exclude the effects of sales
    charges.
*** Do not reflect the effect of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders.
+ Series F was issued on November 19, 2001.
++ Series G was issued on August 31, 2004.
@ Based on average shares outstanding.
@@ Aggregate total investment return.
    See Notes to Financial Statements.
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Total Investment Return**

| Based on net asset value per share ...... <br> Based on market price per share ......... | 2.50\%@ | 8.26\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1.34\%@ | $10.58 \%$ |
| Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Common Stock |  |  |
| Total expenses, net of reimbursement*** | . $94 \%$ * | . $94 \%$ |
| Total expenses*** | . $94 \%$ * | . $95 \%$ |
| Total investment income--net*** | 6. $55 \%$ * | $6.74 \%$ |
| Amount of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders .......................... | . $77 \%$ * | . $45 \%$ |
| Investment income--net, to Common Stock shareholders | 5.78\%* | $6.29 \%$ |
| Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Preferred Stock |  |  |
| Dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders | $1.81 \%$ * | $1.04 \%$ |

The following per share data and ratios have been derived from information provided in the financial statements. Supplemental Data

| Net assets applicable to Common Stock, end of period (in thousands) .................... | \$468, 970 | \$472,848 | \$ 467 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Preferred Stock outstanding, end of period (in thousands) ........................ | \$200, 000 | \$200,000 | \$200 |
| Portfolio turnover | $14.76 \%$ | $32.87 \%$ |  |
| Leverage |  |  |  |
| Asset coverage per $\$ 1,000$ | \$ 3,345 | \$ 3,364 | \$ |
| Dividends Per Share on Preferred Stock Outstanding |  |  |  |
| Series A--Investment income--net | \$ 213 | \$ 271 | \$ |

For the
Six Months Fo
Ended
April 30,
2005
2004
$\qquad$

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| Series B--Investment income--net | \$ | 225 | \$ | 255 | \$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Series C--Investment income--net | \$ | 243 | \$ | 261 | \$ |
| Series D--Investment income--net | \$ | 224 | \$ | 251 | \$ |

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* Annualized.
** Total investment returns based on market value, which can be significantly
    greater or lesser than the net asset value, may result in substantially
    different returns. Total investment returns exclude the effects of sales
    charges.
*** Do not reflect the effect of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders.
+ Based on average shares outstanding.
@ Aggregate total investment return.
@@ Amount is less than $(.01) per share.
    See Notes to Financial Statements.
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Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Common Stock

| Total expenses, net of reimbursement*** | 1.02\%* | 1.01\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total expenses*** | 1.02\%* | 1.02\% |
| Total investment income--net*** | $6.70 \%$ * | $7.00 \%$ |
| Amount of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders | . $87 \%$ * | . $51 \%$ |
| Investment income--net, to Common Stock shareholders | $5.83 \%$ * | $6.49 \%$ |

Ratios Based on Average Net Assets of Preferred Stock

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\begin{array}{llll}
\text { Dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders ... } & 1.78 \% * & 1.04 \%
\end{array}
$$

Financial Highlights (concluded) MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.

The following per share data and ratios have been derived from information provided in the financial statements.

## Supplemental Data



* Annualized.
** Total investment returns based on market value, which can be significantly


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    greater or lesser than the net asset value, may result in substantially
    different returns. Total investment returns exclude the effects of sales
    charges.
*** Do not reflect the effect of dividends to Preferred Stock shareholders.
+ Based on average shares outstanding.
@ Aggregate total investment return.
@@ Amount is less than $(.01) per share.
See Notes to Financial Statements.
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Notes to Financial Statements

1. Significant Accounting Policies:

MuniYield Fund, Inc., MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. and MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. (the "Funds" or individually as the "Fund") are registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as non-diversified, closed-end management investment companies. The Funds' financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management accruals and estimates. Actual results may differ from these estimates. These unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments, which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present a fair statement of the results for the interim period. All such adjustments are of a normal, recurring nature. The Funds determine and make available for publication the net asset value of their Common Stock on a daily basis. The Funds' Common Stock shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol MYD for MuniYield Fund, Inc., MQY for MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. and MQT for MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. The following is a summary of significant accounting policies followed by the Funds.
(a) Valuation of investments -- Municipal bonds are traded primarily in the over-the-counter ("OTC") markets and are valued at the last available bid price in the OTC market or on the basis of values as obtained by a pricing service. Pricing services use valuation matrixes that incorporate both dealer-supplied valuations and valuation models. The procedures of the pricing service and its valuations are reviewed by the officers of the Funds under the general direction of the Board of Directors. Such valuations and procedures are reviewed periodically by the Board of Directors of the Funds. Financial futures contracts and options thereon, which are traded on exchanges, are valued at their closing prices as of the close of such exchanges. Options written or purchased are valued at the last sale price in the case of exchange-traded options. In the case of options traded in the OTC market, valuation is the last asked price (options written) or the last bid price (options purchased). Swap agreements are valued by quoted fair values received daily by the Funds' pricing service. Short-term investments with a remaining maturity of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost, which approximates market value, under which method the investment is valued at cost and any premium or discount is amortized on a straight line basis to maturity. Investments in open-end investment companies are valued at their net asset value each business day. Securities and other assets for which market quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of the Board of Directors of the Funds.
(b) Derivative financial instruments -- Each Fund may engage in various portfolio investment strategies both to increase the return of each Fund and to hedge, or protect, its exposure to interest rate movements and movements in the securities markets. Losses may arise due to changes in the value of the contract or if the counterparty does not perform under the contract.

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- Financial futures contracts -- Each Fund may purchase or sell financial futures contracts and options on such futures contracts. Futures contracts are contracts for delayed delivery of securities at a specific future date and at a specific price or yield. Upon entering into a contract, the Fund deposits and maintains as collateral such initial margin as required by the exchange on which the transaction is effected. Pursuant to the contract, the Fund agrees to receive from or pay to the broker an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in value of the contract. Such receipts or payments are known as variation margin and are recorded by the Fund as unrealized gains or losses. When the contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the value of the contract at the time it was opened and the value at the time it was closed.
- Options -- Each Fund may purchase and write call and put options. When the Fund writes an option, an amount equal to the premium received by the Fund is reflected as an asset and an equivalent liability. The amount of the liability is subsequently marked-to-market to reflect the current market value of the option written. When a security is purchased or sold through an exercise of an option, the related premium paid (or received) is added to (or deducted from) the basis of the security acquired or deducted from (or added to) the proceeds of the security sold. When an option expires (or the Fund enters into a closing transaction), the Fund realizes a gain or loss on the option to the extent of the premiums received or paid (or gain or loss to the extent the cost of the closing transaction exceeds the premium paid or received).

Written and purchased options are non-income producing investments.

- Forward interest rate swaps -- Each Fund may enter into forward interest rate swaps. In a forward interest rate swap, the Fund and the counterparty agree to make periodic net payments on a specified notional contract amount, commencing on a specified future effective date,

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unless terminated earlier. When the agreement is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss in an amount equal to the value of the agreement.
(c) Income taxes -- It is each Fund's policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its taxable income to its shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.
(d) Security transactions and investment income -- Security transactions are recorded on the dates the transactions are entered into (the trade dates). Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on the identified cost basis. Divided income is recorded on the ex-dividend dates. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. The Funds amortize all premiums and discounts on debt securities.
(e) Dividends and distributions -- Dividends from net investment income are declared and paid monthly. Distributions of capital gains are recorded on the ex-dividend dates.
(f) Offering expenses -- Direct expenses relating to the public offering of MuniYield Fund, Inc.'s Preferred Stock were charged to capital at the time of

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issuance of the shares.
2. Investment Advisory Agreement and Transactions with Affiliates:

Each Fund has entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement with Fund Asset Management, L.P. ("FAM"). The general partner of FAM is Princeton Services, Inc. ("PSI"), an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch \& Co., Inc. ("ML \& Co."), which is the limited partner.

FAM is responsible for the management of the Funds' portfolios and provides the necessary personnel, facilities, equipment and certain other services necessary to the operations of the Funds. For such services, each Fund pays a monthly fee at an annual rate of $.50 \%$ of the Fund's average weekly net assets, including proceeds from the issuance of Preferred Stock. The Investment Adviser has agreed to reimburse its management fee by the amount of management fees each Fund pays to FAM indirectly through its investment in Merrill Lynch Institutional Tax-Exempt Fund. For the six months ended April 30, 2005, FAM reimbursed each Fund as follows:

| Fund | Reimbursement |
| :--- | :--- |

For the six months ended April 30, 2005, the Funds reimbursed FAM for certain accounting services. The reimbursements were as follows:

Fund
Reimbursement

| MuniYield | Fund, Inc. | \$10,663 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MuniYield | Quality Fund, Inc. | \$ 6,997 |
| MuniYield | Quality Fund II, Inc. | \$ 4,794 |

Certain officers and/or directors of the Funds are officers and/or directors of FAM, PSI, and/or ML \& Co.

## 3. Investments:

Purchases and sales of investments, excluding short-term securities, for the six months ended April 30, 2005 were as follows:

|  | MuniYield Fund, Inc. | MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. | MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Purchases | \$148, 359,735 | \$103,121,997 | \$ 49,479,581 |
| Total Sales | \$168,120,633 | \$ 96,691,901 | \$ 47,235,177 |

## 4. Stock Transactions:

Each Fund is authorized to issue $200,000,000$ shares of stock, including Preferred Stock, par value $\$ .10$ per share all of which were initially classified as Common Stock. The Board of Directors is authorized, however, to reclassify any unissued shares of stock without approval of the holders of common Stock.

## Preferred Stock

Auction Market Preferred Stock are redeemable shares of Preferred Stock of the Funds, with a par value of $\$ .05$ per share and a liquidation preference of $\$ 25,000$ per share, plus accrued and unpaid dividends that entitle their holders to receive cash dividends at an annual rate that may vary for the successive dividend periods. The yields in effect at April 30, 2005 were as follows:

|  | MuniYield Fund, Inc. | MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. | MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Series A | 2.31\% | 2.35\% | 2.30\% |
| Series B | 2.31\% | 2.525\% | 2.54\% |
| Series C | 2.25\% | 2.739\% | 2.402\% |
| Series D | 2.55\% | 2.80\% | -- |
| Series E | 2.54\% | -- | -- |
| Series F | 2.40\% | -- | -- |
| Series G | 2.50\% | -- | -- |

Notes to Financial Statements (concluded)
MuniYield Fund, Inc.
Shares issued and outstanding during the six months ended April 30, 2005 remained constant. Shares issued and outstanding during the year ended October 31, 2004 increased by 2,000 shares from the issuance of an additional series of Preferred Stock.

MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.
Shares issued and outstanding during the six months ended April 30, 2005 and the year ended October 31, 2004 remained constant.

MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.
Shares issued and outstanding during the six months ended April 30, 2005 and the year ended October 31, 2004 remained constant.

The Funds pay commissions to certain broker-dealers at the end of each auction at an annual rate ranging from $.25 \%$ to $.375 \%$, calculated on the proceeds of each auction. For the six months ended April 30, 2005, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner \& Smith Incorporated, an affiliate of FAM, earned commissions as follows:

| Fund | Commissions |
| :---: | :---: |
| MuniYield Fund, Inc. | \$198,358 |
| MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. | \$112,045 |
| MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. | \$103,601 |

## 5. Capital Loss Carryforward:

MuniYield Fund, Inc.
On October 31, 2004, the Fund had a net capital loss carryforward of
$\$ 63,838,397$, of which $\$ 3,650,202$ expires in 2006 , $\$ 13,147,684$ expires in 2007 , $\$ 40,851,001$ expires in 2008, $\$ 6,000,235$ expires in 2009 and $\$ 189,275$ expires in 2010. This amount will be available to offset like amounts of any future taxable

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gains.
MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.
On October 31, 2004, the Fund had a net capital loss carryforward of $\$ 6,711,574$, of which $\$ 1,093,528$ expires in 2008, $\$ 3,278,904$ expires in 2010 and $\$ 2,339,142$ expires in 2012. This amount will be available to offset like amounts of any future taxable gains.

MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.
On October 31, 2004, the Fund had a net capital loss carryforward of
$\$ 37,686,418$, of which $\$ 4,975,019$ expires in $2007, \$ 26,079,903$ expires in 2008 , $\$ 1,096,837$ expires in 2010 and $\$ 5,534,659$ expires in 2012. This amount will be available to offset like amounts of any future taxable gains.
6. Subsequent Event:

Each Fund paid a tax-exempt income dividend to holders of Common Stock on May 27, 2005 to shareholders of record on May 13, 2005. The amount of the tax-exempt income dividend was as follows:

| Fund | Per Share Amount |
| :---: | :---: |
| MuniYield Fund, Inc. | \$. 083000 |
| MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. | \$.081000 |
| MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. | \$. 072000 |

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Proxy Results MuniYield Fund, Inc.
During the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, MuniYield Fund, Inc.'s Common Stock shareholders voted on the following proposals. Proposal 1 was approved at a shareholders' meeting on April 28, 2005. With respect to Proposal 2, the proposal was adjourned until May 27, 2005, at which time it passed. A description of the proposals and number of shares voted were as follows:

|  |  | Shares Voted For |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. To elect the Fund's Directors: | Robert C. Doll, Jr. | 23,061,991 |
|  | Joe Grills | 23,029,064 |
|  | Roberta Cooper Ramo | 23,047,168 |
|  | Robert S. Salomon, Jr. | 23,056,667 |
|  | Stephen B. Swensrud | 23,021,719 |

Shares Voted Shares Vote For Against
2. To approve an amendment to fundamental investment restrictions.

17,509,849
628,341

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During the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, MuniYield Fund, Inc.'s Preferred Stock shareholders (Series A - G) voted on the following proposals. Proposal 1 was approved at a shareholders' meeting on April 28, 2005. With respect to Proposal 2, the proposal was adjourned until May 27, 2005, at which time it passed. A description of the proposals and number of shares voted were as follows:

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Shares Voted
For
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1. To elect the Fund's Board of Directors: Robert C. Doll, Jr.,
    James H. Bodurtha, Joe Grills, Herbert I. London, Roberta Cooper Ramo,
    Robert S. Salomon, Jr. and Stephen B. Swensrud 10,390
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Shares Voted Shares Vote
For
2. To approve an amendment to fundamental investment restrictions.

13,035
465

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Proxy Results MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.
During the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.'s
Common Stock shareholders voted on the following proposals. Proposals 1 and 2
were approved at a shareholders' meeting on April 28, 2005. With respect to
Proposal 3, the proposal was adjourned until June 27, 2005. A description of the proposals and number of shares voted were as follows:

| 1. To elect the Fund's Directors: | Robert C. Doll, Jr. <br> James H. Bodurtha <br> Joe Grills <br> Roberta Cooper Ramo <br> Stephen B. Swensrud | $15,864,587$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
|  | $15,840,375$ |  |

3. To approve an amendment to articles supplementary or certificate of designation.

Adjourned
Adjourned

During the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.'s Preferred Stock shareholders (Series A - D) voted on the following proposals. Proposals 1 and 2 were approved at a shareholders' meeting on April 28, 2005. With respect to Proposal 3, the proposal was adjourned until June 27, 2005. A description of the proposals and number of shares voted were as follows:

|  | Shares Voted For |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. To elect the Fund's Board of Directors: Robert C. Doll, Jr., Bodurtha, Joe Grills, Herbert I. London, Roberta Cooper Ramo, S. Salomon, Jr. and Stephen B. Swensrud | H. rt |  |
|  | Shares Voted For | Shares Vote Against |
| 2. To approve an amendment to fundamental investment restriction | 5,886 | 410 |
| 3. To approve an amendment to articles supplementary or certificate of designation. | Adjourned | Adjourned |

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Proxy Results
MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.
During the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.'s Common Stock shareholders voted on the following proposals. Proposals 1 and 2 were approved at a shareholders' meeting on April 28, 2005. With respect to Proposal 3, the proposal was adjourned until June 27, 2005. A description of the proposals and number of shares voted were as follows:

| Robert C. Doll, Jr. | $11,632,916$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Joe Grills | $11,629,177$ |
| Roberta Cooper Ramo | $11,626,976$ |
| Robert S. Salomon, Jr. | $11,632,993$ |
| Stephen B. Swensrud | $11,624,713$ |

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2. To approve an amendment to fundamental investment restriction. 9,001,194 432,544
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3. To approve an amendment to articles supplementary or
    certificate of designation. Adjourned
    Adjourned
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During the six-month period ended April 30, 2005, MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.'s Preferred Stock shareholders (Series A - C) voted on the following proposals. Proposals 1 and 2 were approved at a shareholders' meeting on April 28, 2005. With respect to Proposal 3, the proposal was adjourned until June 27, 2005. A description of the proposals and number of shares voted were as follows:

1. To elect the Fund's Board of Directors: Robert C. Doll, Jr., James H. Bodurtha, Joe Grills, Herbert I. London, Roberta Cooper Ramo, Robert S. Salomon, Jr. and Stephen B. Swensrud

5,131
Shares Vote
Against

2. To approve an amendment to fundamental investment restriction. | Shares |
| :---: |
| For |

## Officers and Directors

Robert C. Doll, Jr., President and Director
James H. Bodurtha, Director
Joe Grills, Director
Herbert I. London, Director
Roberta Cooper Ramo, Director
Robert S. Salomon, Jr., Director
Stephen B. Swensrud, Director
Kenneth A. Jacob, Senior Vice President
John M. Loffredo, Senior Vice President
Theodore R. Jaeckel Jr., Vice President
Michael A. Kalinoski, Vice President
Donald C. Burke, Vice President and Treasurer
Jeffrey Hiller, Chief Compliance Officer
Alice A. Pellegrino, Secretary

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MuniYield Fund, Inc. and
MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.:
Custodian
The Bank of New York
100 Church Street
New York, NY 10286
Transfer Agents
Common Stock:
The Bank of New York
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New York, NY 10286
Preferred Stock:
The Bank of New York
101 Barclay Street--7 West
New York, NY 10286
MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.:
Custodian
State Street Bank and Trust Company
P.O. Box 351
Boston, MA 02101
Transfer Agents
Common Stock:
EquiServe
P.O. Box 43010
Providence, RI 02940-3010
Preferred Stock:
The Bank of New York
1 0 1 ~ B a r c l a y ~ S t r e e t - - 7 ~ W e s t
New York, NY 10286
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Effective January 1, 2005, Terry K. Glenn retired as President and Director of MuniYield Fund, Inc., MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. and MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. The Funds' Board of Directors wishes Mr. Glenn well in his retirement.

Effective January 1, 2005, Robert C. Doll, Jr. became President and Director of the Funds.

Investment Objectives
NYSE Symbol MuniYield Fund, Inc. seeks to provide shareholders with as MYD high a level of current income exempt from federal income taxes as is consistent with its investment policies and prudent investment management by investing primarily in a portfolio of long-term, investment grade municipal obligations

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|  | the interest on which, in the opinion of bond counsel to the issuer, is exempt from federal income taxes. |
| :---: | :---: |
| NYSE Symbol MQY | MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. seeks to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from federal income taxes as is consistent with its investment policies and prudent investment management by investing primarily in a portfolio of long-term, high-grade municipal obligations the interest on which is exempt from federal income taxes in the opinion of bond counsel to the issuer. |
| NYSE Symbol MQT | MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. seeks to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from federal income taxes as is consistent with its investment policies and prudent investment management by investing primarily in a portfolio of long-term, high-grade municipal obligations the interest on which is exempt from federal income taxes in the opinion of bond counsel to the issuer. The Fund invests primarily in insured municipal bonds. |

Availability of Quarterly Schedules of Investments

The Funds file their complete schedules of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form $N-Q$. The Funds' Forms $N-Q$ are available on the SEC's Web site at http://www.sec.gov. The Funds' Forms N-Q may also be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330.

## Electronic Delivery

The Funds offer electronic delivery of communications to their shareholders. In order to receive this service, you must register your account and provide us with e-mail information. To sign up for this service, simply access this Web site at http://www.icsdelivery.com/live and follow the instructions. When you visit this site, you will obtain a personal identification number (PIN). You will need this PIN should you wish to update your e-mail address, choose to discontinue this service and/or make any other changes to the service. This service is not available for certain retirement accounts at this time.
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shareholders of MuniYield Fund, Inc., MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. and MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. for their information. This is not a prospectus. Past performance results shown in these reports should not be considered a representation of future performance. The Funds have leveraged their Common Stock and intend to remain leveraged by issuing Preferred Stock to provide the Common Stock shareholders with potentially higher rates of return. Leverage creates risks for Common Stock shareholders, including the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value and market price of shares of the Common Stock, and the risk that fluctuations in the short-term dividend rates of the Preferred Stock may affect the yield to Common Stock shareholders. Statements and other information herein are as dated and are subject to change.

A description of the policies and procedures that the Funds use to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available (1) without charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 1-800-MER-FUND (1-800-637-3863); (2) at www.mutualfunds.ml.com; and (3) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site at http://www.sec.gov. Information about how the Funds voted proxies relating to securities held in the Funds' portfolios during the most recent 12 -month period ended June 30 is available (1) at www.mutualfunds.ml.com and (2) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site at http://www.sec.gov.

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Item 2 - Code of Ethics - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report

Item 3 - Audit Committee Financial Expert - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report

Item 4 - Principal Accountant Fees and Services - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report

Item 5 - Audit Committee of Listed Registrants - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report

Item 6 - Schedule of Investments - Not Applicable

Item 7 - Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report

Item 8 - Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report

Item 9 - Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed-End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers - Not Applicable

Item 10 - Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders - Not Applicable

Item 11 - Controls and Procedures
$11(a)$ - The registrant's certifying officers have reasonably designed such disclosure controls and procedures to ensure material information relating to the registrant is made known to us by others particularly

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during the period in which this report is being prepared. The registrant's certifying officers have determined that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures are effective based on our evaluation of these controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days prior to the filing date of this report.

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11(b) - There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over
    financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the Act (17 CFR
    270.30a-3(d)) that occurred during the last fiscal half-year of the
    period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is
    reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal
    control over financial reporting.
Item 12 - Exhibits attached hereto
12(a)(1) - Code of Ethics - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report
12(a)(2) - Certifications - Attached hereto
12(a)(3) - Not Applicable
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$12(\mathrm{~b})$ - Certifications - Attached hereto
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the
Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be
signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.
MuniYield Fund, Inc.
By: /s/ Robert C. Doll, Jr.
Robert C. Doll, Jr.,
Chief Executive Officer of
MuniYield Fund, Inc.
Date: June 20, 2005
Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the
Investment Company Act of 1940 , this report has been signed below by the
following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the
dates indicated.
By: /s/ Robert C. Doll, Jr.
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Robert C. Doll, Jr.,
Chief Executive Officer of
MuniYield Fund, Inc.
Date: June 20, 2005
By: /s/ Donald C. Burke
Donald C. Burke,
Chief Financial Officer of
MuniYield Fund, Inc.
Date: June 20, 2005


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[^3]:    Bond Market Association Municipal

