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#### **Eaton Vance Tax-Advantaged Bond and Option Strategies Fund**

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December 31
Date of Fiscal Year End
December 31, 2011
Date of Reporting Period

# **Item 1. Reports to Stockholders**

Eaton Vance Tax-Advantaged Bond and Option Strategies Fund (EXD)

Annual Report December 31, 2011 **Managed Distribution Plan.** On March 10, 2009, the Fund received authorization from the Securities and Exchange Commission to distribute long-term capital gains to shareholders more frequently than once per year. In this connection, the Board of Trustees formally approved the implementation of a Managed Distribution Plan (MDP) to make quarterly cash distributions to common shareholders, stated in terms of a fixed amount per common share.

The Fund intends to pay quarterly cash distributions equal to \$0.425 per share. You should not draw any conclusions about the Fund s investment performance from the amount of these distributions or from the terms of the MDP. The MDP will be subject to regular periodic review by the Fund s Board of Trustees.

With each distribution, the Fund will issue a notice to shareholders and an accompanying press release which will provide detailed information required by the Fund s exemptive order. The Fund s Board of Trustees may amend or terminate the MDP at any time without prior notice to Fund shareholders. However, at this time there are no reasonably foreseeable circumstances that might cause the termination of the MDP.

Fund shares are not insured by the FDIC and are not deposits or other obligations of, or guaranteed by, any depository institution. Shares are subject to investment risks, including possible loss of principal invested.

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Management s Discussion of Fund Performance

#### **Economic and Market Conditions**

In the early months of 2011, a sustainable U.S. economic recovery appeared to be underway. By the second quarter, however, Europe s growing debt crisis led investors to worry about the potential impact on the U.S. economy and financial system. Investor anxiety was further fueled by persistent weakness in the labor and housing markets, Congressional wrangling over the federal debt ceiling, and the Standard & Poor s downgrade of the long-term U.S. credit rating. Reacting to the domestic and overseas turmoil, the S&P 500 Index²fell sharply during the third quarter and spent much of the fourth quarter clawing its way back, finishing 2011 virtually unchanged from where it began the year.

Against this macro backdrop, Treasury and municipal interest rates rose slightly in the first quarter of 2011, only to decline amid a widespread flight to safety beginning in the second quarter. Treasury prices rose as yields fell significantly and equity markets lost ground in the third quarter. Municipals rallied as well, but not to the same degree because investors remained concerned about the ability of state and local governments to address historically large fiscal deficits and balance their budgets.

As the year progressed, however, several factors enabled municipal performance to rebound. The massive municipal defaults predicted by some observers did not materialize, while many issuers budget situations began to recover. In addition, the supply-demand equation for municipals improved as it became clearer that the number of new issues in 2011 would decline dramatically from 2010 levels.

With low Treasury yields driven by problems in Europe and the Federal Reserve s Operation Twist program (central bank s swapping its short-term holdings for long-term Treasury bonds), municipals offered significantly higher taxable-equivalent yields than Treasuries during 2011. The ratio of 30-year AAA<sup>4</sup> municipal yields to 30-year Treasury yields which historically has averaged less than 100% due to municipals federally tax-exempt status rose from 107.3% at the start of 2011 to 122.8% by year-end. Municipal prices rallied in late 2011 as investors sought to lock in historically attractive municipal yields.

Against this backdrop, the Barclays Capital Municipal Bond Index a broad-based, unmanaged index of municipal bonds gained 10.70%, while longer-term municipals, as measured by the Barclays Capital Long (22+) Municipal Bond Index, returned 14.88%.

#### **Fund Performance**

At net asset value (NAV) for the 12 months ending December 31, 2011, Eaton Vance Tax-Advantaged Bond and Option Strategies Fund returned 13.69%, outperforming its primary benchmark, the BofA Merrill Lynch 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index (the Index), an unmanaged index of U.S. Treasury securities maturing in 90 days, which returned 0.10% during the period.

During 2011, we fully invested in the Bond Strategy, which is designed to provide capital preservation and a stable source of tax-exempt income. We also systematically applied the Option Overlay Strategy to 100% of net assets. Both strategies contributed to 2011 performance.

The Bond Strategy s strong 2011 returns were a function of both the market environment and portfolio positioning. The municipal bond market performed well, benefiting from a rally in U.S. Treasuries and the lowest municipal bond supply in more than 10 years. The Fund was well-positioned with a sizable concentration in 10- to 12-year issues, which fared better than other maturities within the municipal bond market. We favored this maturity range because at certain points during 2011, the extra yield on a 10-year municipal bond versus a five-year municipal bond was the highest in history. In addition, prices on 10-year municipal bonds versus comparable maturity Treasuries were relatively low. As yields on 10-year municipal bonds came down, we reallocated some of these assets to shorter-term bonds. The Bond Strategy had a duration of five years early in 2011, which we reduced to four years as interest rates declined.

The Option Overlay Strategy, which generated income by writing a series of S&P 500 Index call and put spread option transactions, is intended to provide returns that are substantially uncorrelated to the returns of the S&P 500. The Option Overlay Strategy limited potential losses to a predetermined amount, which proved to be beneficial in a year of heightened volatility.

See Endnotes and Additional Disclosures in this report.

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#### $Performance^2$

**Portfolio Managers** Ken Everding, Ph.D; Jonathan Orseck, each of Parametric Risk Advisors, LLC; James H. Evans, CFA

% Average Annual Total Returns	<b>Inception Date</b>	One Year	Since Inception
Fund at NAV Fund at Market Price	6/29/2010	13.69% 9.23	7.53% 0.17
BofA Merrill Lynch 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index	6/29/2010	0.10%	0.11%

## % Premium/Discount to NAV

-10.15%

#### Distributions<sup>3</sup>

Total Distributions per share for the period	\$ 1.700
Distribution Rate at NAV	9.23%
Distribution Rate at Market Price	10.27%

Fund Profile

Credit Quality (% of bond holdings)<sup>4</sup>

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**Endnotes and Additional Disclosures** 

- The views expressed in this report are those of the portfolio manager(s) and are current only through the date stated at the top of this page. These views are subject to change at any time based upon market or other conditions, and Eaton Vance and the Fund(s) disclaim any responsibility to update such views. These views may not be relied upon as investment advice and, because investment decisions are based on many factors, may not be relied upon as an indication of trading intent on behalf of any Eaton Vance fund. This commentary may contain statements that are not historical facts, referred to as forward looking statements. The Fund s actual future results may differ significantly from those stated in any forward looking statement, depending on factors such as changes in securities or financial markets or general economic conditions, the volume of sales and purchases of Fund shares, the continuation of investment advisory, administrative and service contracts, and other risks discussed from time to time in the Fund s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- S&P 500 Index is an unmanaged index of large-cap stocks commonly used as a measure of U.S. stock market performance. Barclays Capital Municipal Bond Index is an unmanaged index of municipal bonds traded in the U.S. Barclays Capital Long (22+) Municipal Bond Index is an unmanaged index of municipal bonds traded in the U.S. with maturities of 22 years or more. BofA Merrill Lynch 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index is an unmanaged index of U.S. Treasury securities maturing in 90 days. Unless otherwise stated, index returns do not reflect the effect of any applicable sales charges, commissions, expenses, taxes or leverage, as applicable. It is not possible to invest directly in an index.
- <sup>3</sup> The Distribution Rate is based on the Fund s last regular distribution per share in the period (annualized) divided by the Fund s NAV or market price at the end of the period. The Fund s distributions may be composed of ordinary income, tax-exempt income, net realized capital gains and return of capital. A significant portion of the Fund s distributions has been characterized as a return of capital.
- <sup>4</sup> Ratings are based on Moody s, S&P or Fitch, as applicable. Credit ratings are based largely on the rating agency s investment analysis at the time of rating and the rating assigned to any particular security is not necessarily a reflection of the issuer s current financial condition. The rating assigned to a security by a rating agency does not necessarily reflect its assessment of the volatility of a security s market value or of the liquidity of an investment in the security. If securities are rated differently by the rating agencies, the higher rating is applied.

Fund profile subject to change due to active management.

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Portfolio of Investments

Tax-Exempt Municipal Securities 71.3%

Security	Principal Amount (000 s omitted)	Value
Bond Bank 2.0%		
Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, 4.00%, 12/1/17 Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, 5.00%, 12/1/19	\$ 2,515 705	\$ 2,919,161 885,663
		\$ 3,804,824
Education 1.3%		
Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, (Harvard University), 5.00%, 10/15/20	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,561,420
		\$ 2,561,420
Escrowed / Prerefunded 1.5%		
Harris County, TX, Flood Control District, Prerefunded to 10/1/14, 5.25%, 10/1/20	\$ 2,545	\$ 2,863,481
		\$ 2,863,481

# General Obligations 35.5%

Alexandria, VA, 4.00%, 7/1/16	\$ 2,980	\$ 3,404,471
Beaufort County, SC, School District, 5.00%, 3/1/19	5,370	6,681,354
Bedford, MA, 4.00%, 8/15/16	1,380	1,582,680
Carrollton, TX, 3.00%, 8/15/15	100	108,050
Charleston County, SC, School District, 5.00%, 2/1/19	7,020	8,739,479
Dakota County, MN, Community Development Agency,		
3.00%, 1/1/13	150	154,014
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3.00%, 1/1/14	500	525,650
Florida Board of Education, 5.00%, 6/1/17	2,010	2,420,603
Frederick County, MD, 4.00%, 2/1/15	555	612,071
Georgia, 4.00%, 9/1/16	3,500	4,014,185
Georgia, 5.00%, 7/1/17	600	731,424
Georgia, 5.00%, 7/1/19	3,070	3,887,265
Hoover, AL, Board of Education Capital Outlay Warrants,		
5.00%, 2/15/14	2,815	3,063,902
Hopkinton, MA, 4.00%, 7/15/16	240	272,381
Howard County, MD, 4.00%, 2/15/21	1,000	1,174,750
Liberty Hill, TX, Independent School District,		
(PSF Guaranteed), 0.00%, 8/1/21	515	402,606
Loudoun County, VA, 5.00%, 12/1/17	2,015	2,483,125
Maricopa County, AZ, Community College District,		
3.00%, 7/1/18	1,605	1,772,610
Massachusetts, 5.50%, 10/1/15	400	469,200
Montgomery County, MD, 5.00%, 9/1/15	3,330	3,710,352
Morris County, NJ, 5.00%, 2/15/14	1,650	1,808,037
New York, 5.00%, 4/15/15	500	570,520
Richardson, TX, 5.00%, 2/15/18	2,790	3,412,756
United Independent School District, TX, 5.00%, 8/15/20	2,000	2,527,000
Utah, 5.00%, 7/1/19 <sup>(1)</sup>	8,300	10,509,543
Wake, NC, 5.00%, 3/1/21	1,000	1,279,750
Wisconsin, 5.00%, 5/1/20	2,255	2,827,477
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# \$ 69,145,255

### Insured Escrowed / Prerefunded 5.2%

Anchorage, AK, (FGIC), Prerefunded to 9/1/13, 5.00%, 9/1/20	\$ 1,750	\$ 1,886,185
Benton County, WA, School District No. 400, (AGM),		
Prerefunded to 6/1/13, 5.00%, 12/1/20	6,055	6,459,111
Houston, TX, Water & Sewer System Revenue, (AGM),		
Escrowed to Maturity, 0.00%, 12/1/20	2,050	1,689,077

Insured General Obligations 0.4%  Houston, TX, (NPFG), 5.25%, 3/1/14 \$ 785 \$ 866,177  Insured Transportation 0.6%  New York State Thruway Authority, (AGM), 5.00%, 3/15/14 \$ 1,000 \$ 1,097,880  \$ 1,097,880  Special Tax Revenue 7.5%  New York State Urban Development Corp., 5.00%, 1/1/15 \$ 2,125 \$ 2,393,005  New York State Urban Development Corp., 5.00%, 1/1/15 7,415 8,997,732  New York, NY, Transitional Finance Authority, Prerefunded to
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8/1/13, 5.00%, 8/1/21 3,000 3,223,530
\$ 14,614,267
Transportation 12.5%
New York State Thruway Authority, 5.00%, 4/1/18 <sup>(1)</sup> \$ 20,000 \$ 24,353,200
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Water and Sewer 4.8%

Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, 4.00%, 8/1/17	\$ 1,860	\$ 2,162,306
Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust, 5.25%, 8/1/21	2,025	2,631,548
New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust, 5.00%, 9/1/18	2,200	2,747,844

See Notes to Financial Statements.

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Portfolio of Investments continued

Security	Principal Amount (000 s omitted)		Value
Water and Sewer (continued)			
Seattle, WA, Solid Waste Revenue, 5.00%, 8/1/21	\$ 1,415	\$	1,757,798
		\$	9,299,496
Total Tax-Exempt Municipal Securities (identified cost \$130,620,731)		<b>\$</b> 1	138,640,373

# Call Options Purchased 0.1%

Description	Number of Contracts	Strike Price	Expiration Date	Value
C & D 500 Indov	266	\$ 1,365	1/21/12	\$ 5,985
S&P 500 Index S&P 500 Index FLEX	266 264	\$ 1,303 1,375	1/21/12 1/3/12	\$ 3,983
S&P 500 Index FLEX	264	1,380	1/5/12	
S&P 500 Index FLEX	266	1,375	1/6/12	2
S&P 500 Index FLEX	269	1,345	1/10/12	2,742
S&P 500 Index FLEX	270	1,335	1/11/12	8,833
S&P 500 Index FLEX	272	1,335	1/13/12	14,436
S&P 500 Index FLEX	272	1,320	1/17/12	62,902
S&P 500 Index FLEX	273	1,340	1/18/12	25,391
S&P 500 Index FLEX	266	1,360	1/25/12	20,387
S&P 500 Index FLEX	267	1,370	1/26/12	13,978
S&P 500 Index FLEX	267	1,370	1/27/12	15,511

# Total Call Options Purchased (identified cost \$289,394)

\$ 170,167

Put Options Purchased 0.1%

Description	Number of Contracts	Strike Price	Expiration Date	Value
S&P 500 Index	266	\$ 1,115	1/21/12	\$ 43,890
S&P 500 Index FLEX	264	1,095	1/3/12	2
S&P 500 Index FLEX	264	1,090	1/5/12	52
S&P 500 Index FLEX	266	1,090		