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Chairman's Letter to Shareholders

Dear Shareholders,

The global synchronized expansion that drove markets to new highs in 2017 is beginning to show signs of fatigue. Against this backdrop, concerns about tightening financial conditions, potentially higher inflation and an array of geopolitical and policy risks have increased volatility across the financial markets in 2018 so far.

Despite the daily headlines, the global economy remains in solid shape. Even if the momentum is slowing, world economies are still expanding, recession probabilities are low and corporate profits have stayed healthy. Inflation remains relatively subdued, which should keep central banks on a gradual path of policy normalization. In the U.S., economic growth is expected to strengthen further, supported by low unemployment, incremental wage growth and fiscal stimulus from the newly enacted tax law changes.

Certainly there are risks that bear watching. Trade wars and tariffs have implications for both the supply and demand sides of the economy, complicating the outlook for businesses, consumers and the economy as a whole. North Korea relations, Iran and Russia sanctions, Italy's new coalition government and Brexit negotiations are likely to continue triggering short-term turbulence in asset prices. The markets will also remain focused on central bank actions and communications.

The investment environment of 2018 will be more challenging than it was in 2017, but there is still opportunity for upside. Fundamentals, not headlines, drive markets over the long term. And, it's easy to forget the relative calm over the past year was the outlier. A return to more historically normal volatility levels is both to be expected and part of the healthy functioning of the markets.

Context and perspective are important. If you're investing for long-term goals, stay focused on the long term, as temporary bumps may smooth over time. Individuals that have shorter time-frames could also benefit from sticking to a clearly defined investment strategy with a portfolio designed for short-term needs. Your financial advisor can help you determine if your portfolio is properly aligned with your goals, timeline and risk tolerance, as well as help you differentiate the noise from what really matters. On behalf of the other members of the Nuveen Fund Board, we look forward to continuing to earn your trust in the months and years ahead.

Sincerely,

William J. Schneider

Chairman of the Board

June 25, 2018

Portfolio Managers' Comments

Nuveen Municipal Value Fund, Inc. (NUV)

Nuveen AMT-Free Municipal Value Fund (NUW)

Nuveen Municipal Income Fund, Inc. (NMI)

Nuveen Enhanced Municipal Value Fund (NEV)

These Funds feature portfolio management by Nuveen Asset Management, LLC (NAM), an affiliate of Nuveen, LLC. Portfolio managers Daniel J. Close, CFA, Christopher L. Drahn, CFA, and Steven M. Hlavin discuss key investment strategies and the six-month performance of these four national Funds. Dan has managed NUV and NUW since 2016. Chris assumed portfolio management responsibility for NMI in 2011. Steve has been involved in the management of NEV since its inception in 2009, taking on full portfolio management responsibility in 2010.

What key strategies were used to manage these Funds during the six-month reporting period ended April 30, 2018?

Interest rates rose during the six-month reporting period. The Federal Reserve (Fed) continued to raise its benchmark interest rate, putting upward pressure on the short end of the yield curve, while healthy economic growth and rising inflation expectations boosted yields at the long end of the curve. Shorter-term rates increased more than longer-term rates, resulting in a flatter yield curve over the reporting period. In this environment, municipal bond yields rose and prices fell (as yield and price move in opposite directions). However, given the backdrop of steady economic growth, credit fundamentals remained favorable, which helped credit spreads tighten. Municipal bond supply and demand technical conditions also continued to support the market. During this time, we continued to take a bottom-up approach to discovering sectors that appeared undervalued as well as individual credits that we believed had the potential to perform well over the long term.

Our trading activity continued to focus on pursuing the Funds' investment objectives. For NUV and NUW, trading activity was segmented into three periods. In November and December 2017, uncertainty about the upcoming tax legislation drove municipal issuers to rush their deals to market. We therefore focused on buying in the primary markets, as supply was greater than demand. In January and February 2018, as the new lower corporate tax rate went into effect, banks and property and casualty insurance companies began to trim their municipal bond holdings and we found attractive purchase opportunities in the secondary markets. Buying activity was more balanced across the primary and secondary markets in the final two months of the reporting period. Overall, for NUV and NUW we bought intermediate to longer maturities with mid- to higher-grade credit. To fund our buying, the Funds used call and maturity proceeds. We also sold some short-dated pre-refunded bonds to do some secondary market buying during February 2018.

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Certain statements in this report are forward-looking statements. Discussions of specific investments are for illustration only and are not intended as recommendations of individual investments. The forward-looking statements and other views expressed herein are those of the portfolio managers as of the date of this report. Actual future results or occurrences may differ significantly from those anticipated in any forward-looking statements, and the views expressed herein are subject to change at any time, due to numerous market and other factors. The Funds disclaim any obligation to update publicly or revise any forward-looking statements or views expressed herein.

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Refer to the Glossary of Terms Used in this Report for further definition of the terms used within this section.

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Portfolio Managers' Comments (continued)

In NMI, we continued to look for opportunities to increase the Fund's income distribution capabilities. We reduced some bonds with lower income streams and, when possible, bought other bonds offering higher income. Some of the additions to NMI's portfolio during the reporting period included credits issued for I-66 Express Toll Road (Virginia), Academies of Math and Science charter schools (Arizona) and Sutter Health (California).

NEV bought bonds across a number of different sectors, including health care and the Chicago Board of Education. We made these purchases with the proceeds from called and maturing bonds.

Additionally during this reporting period, all four Funds replaced some New Jersey Tobacco Settlement bonds that were refunded. The Funds' holdings in New Jersey Tobacco Settlement bonds were called in this reporting period and we bought some of the newly issued replacement bonds.

As of April 30, 2018, all of these Funds continued to use inverse floating rate securities. We employ inverse floaters for a variety of reasons, including duration management, income enhancement and total return enhancement.

How did the Funds perform during the six-month reporting period ended April 30, 2018?

The tables in each Fund's Performance Overview and Holding Summaries section of this report provide the Funds' total returns for the six-month, one-year, five-year, ten-year and since inception periods ended April 30, 2018. Each Fund's total returns at net asset value (NAV) are compared with the performance of a corresponding market index.

For the six months ended April 30, 2018, the total returns at NAV for NUV, NUW and NEV underperformed the return for the national S&P Municipal Bond Index while NMI's returns outperformed the return for the national index.

The factors affecting performance in this reporting period included yield curve and duration positioning, credit ratings allocation, sector allocation and credit selection. For NUV, NUW and NEV, yield curve and duration positioning was a positive contributor to relative performance. NUV and NUW have maintained a "barbell" positioning strategy, holding overweight allocations to both the shortest and longest ends of the yield curve with an underweight to the middle of the curve. This positioning was advantageous as the shortest maturity and longest maturity buckets were the best performing segments. NMI's yield curve and duration positioning had a neutral impact on performance, as its positioning was more closely aligned to the benchmark's yield curve profile. NEV benefited from its overweight allocation to the long end of the yield curve.

For all four Funds, credit ratings allocations were beneficial to performance, as spreads narrowed meaningfully in this reporting period. NUV and NUW were aided the most by their overweights to B rated bonds (which were primarily tobacco securitization bonds, a sector that outperformed in this reporting period) and underweights to the highest credit qualities (AAA and AA rated). NEV and NMI held overweights to BBB rated, below investment grade and non-rated bonds, which all added to excess return versus the benchmark.

Sector allocations produced mixed results across the four Funds. For NUV and NUW, sector allocation in aggregate was slightly negative for performance. NUV was hurt by its exposure to pre-refunded bonds but benefited from its positions in toll roads. NUW was also helped by exposure to toll roads but the positive contribution was offset by weakness in the dedicated tax sector. NMI's sector allocations had a marginally positive impact on performance, with small contributions from underweights to state and local general obligation bonds (GOs) and overweights to the hospitals and toll roads sectors. Sector positioning had a relatively neutral impact on NEV's performance in this reporting period.

Security selection detracted from NUV's performance due to underperformance from longer-dated zero coupon bonds with lower investment grade (A and BBB) ratings. Long-dated zero coupon bonds also dampened NUW's performance but the weakness was offset by favorable selection among tobacco securitization bonds. Individual credits that detracted from NEV's performance included Illinois state GO bonds, as credit spreads for these bonds widened when new issuance came to market, and the Fund's holdings in

FirstEnergy Solutions (described in the Update on FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. commentary of this report). However, underperformance from those holdings was offset by NEV's Guam positions, which performed well as spreads contracted.

In addition, the use of leverage was an important factor affecting performance of the Funds. Leverage is discussed in more detail later in the Fund Leverage section of this report.

An Update on FirstEnergy Solutions Corp.

FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. and all of its subsidiaries filed for protection under chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. FirstEnergy Solutions and its subsidiaries specialize in coal and nuclear energy production. It is one of the main energy producers in the state of Ohio and a major energy provider in Pennsylvania. Because of the challenging market environment for nuclear and coal power in the face of inexpensive natural gas, FirstEnergy announced in late 2016 that it would begin a strategic review of its generation assets. FirstEnergy Solutions is a unique corporate issuer in that the majority of its debt was issued in the municipal market to finance pollution control and waste disposal for its coal and nuclear plants. A substantial amount of bondholders, of which Nuveen is included, entered into an "Agreement in Principle" with FirstEnergy Solutions' parent, FirstEnergy Corp., to resolve potential claims that bondholders may have against FirstEnergy Corp. The agreement is subject to the approval of the FirstEnergy Corp. board of directors, FirstEnergy Solutions and the bankruptcy court.

In terms of FirstEnergy holdings, shareholders should note that NUW and NMI had no exposure to FirstEnergy, while NUV had 0.61% and NEV had 1.18%. It should be noted that exposure for NUV was in the secured structure, which continues to track close to par.

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Fund Leverage

IMPACT OF THE FUNDS' LEVERAGE STRATEGIES ON PERFORMANCE

One important factor impacting the returns of NEV relative to its comparative benchmark was the Fund's use of leverage through investments in inverse floating rate securities, which represent leveraged investments in underlying bonds. This was also a factor, although less significantly, for NUV, NUW and NMI because their use of leverage is more modest. The Funds use leverage because our research has shown that, over time, leveraging provides opportunities for additional income, particularly in the recent market environment where short-term market rates are at or near historical lows, meaning that the short-term rates the Fund has been paying on its leveraging instruments have been much lower than the interest the Fund has been earning on its portfolio of long-term bonds that it has bought with the proceeds of that leverage. However, use of leverage also can expose the Fund to additional price volatility. When a Fund uses leverage, the Fund will experience a greater increase in its net asset value if the municipal bonds acquired through the use of leverage increase in value, but it will also experience a correspondingly larger decline in its net asset value if the bonds acquired through leverage decline in value, which will make the Fund's net asset value more volatile, and its total return performance more variable over time. In addition, income in levered funds will typically decrease in comparison to unlevered funds when short-term interest rates increase and increase when short-term interest rates decrease. Leverage had a negligible impact on the performance of NUV and NMI, during the reporting period, while making a negative contribution to NUW and NEV during the reporting period.

As of April 30, 2018, the Funds' percentages of leverage are as shown in the accompanying table.

	NUV	NUW	NMI	NEV
Effective Leverage*	2.33	%9.82	%3.00	%38.56%

Effective Leverage is a Fund's effective economic leverage, and includes both regulatory leverage and the leverage effects of certain derivative and other investments in a Fund's portfolio that increase the Fund's investment exposure.

* Currently, the leverage effects of Tender Option Bond (TOB) inverse floater holdings are included in effective leverage values. A Fund, however, may from time to time borrow on a typically transient basis in connection with its day-to-day operations, primarily in connection with the need to settle portfolio trades. Such incidental borrowings are excluded from the calculation of a Fund's effective leverage ratio.

Share Information

DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

The following information regarding the Funds' distributions is current as of April 30, 2018. Each Fund's distribution levels may vary over time based on each Fund's investment activity and portfolio investment value changes. During the current reporting period, each Fund's distributions to shareholders were as shown in the accompanying table.

Monthly Distributions (Ex-Dividend Date)	Per Share Amounts			
	NUV	NUW	NMI	NEV
November 2017	\$0.0325	\$0.0600	\$0.0405	\$0.0680
December	0.0310	0.0600	0.0390	0.0650
January	0.0310	0.0600	0.0390	0.0650
February	0.0310	0.0600	0.0390	0.0650
March	0.0310	0.0600	0.0390	0.0650
April 2018	0.0310	0.0600	0.0390	0.0650
Total Monthly Per Share Distributions	\$0.1875	\$0.3600	\$0.2355	\$0.3930
Ordinary Income Distribution*	\$0.0160	\$0.0191	\$0.0026	\$0.0114
Total Distributions from Net Investment Income	\$0.2035	\$0.3791	\$0.2381	\$0.4044
Total Distributions from Long-Term Capital Gains*	\$—	\$0.1816	\$—	\$—
Total Distributions	\$0.2035	\$0.5607	\$0.2381	\$0.4044

Yields

Market Yield**	3.91	%	4.57	%	4.17	%	5.85	%
Taxable-Equivalent Yield**	5.14	%	6.01	%	5.49	%	7.70	%

* Distribution paid in December 2017.

Market Yield is based on the Fund's current annualized monthly dividend divided by the Fund's current market price as of the end of the reporting period. Taxable-Equivalent Yield represents the yield that must be earned on a fully taxable investment in order to equal the yield of the Fund on an after-tax basis. It is based on a federal income tax rate of 24.0%.

When comparing a Fund to investments that generate qualified dividend income, the Taxable-Equivalent Yield is lower.

Each Fund in this report seeks to pay regular monthly dividends out of its net investment income at a rate that reflects its past and projected net income performance. To permit each Fund to maintain a more stable monthly dividend, the Fund may pay dividends at a rate that may be more or less than the amount of net income actually earned by the Fund during the period. If a Fund has cumulatively earned more than it has paid in dividends, it will hold the excess in reserve as undistributed net investment income (UNII) as part of the Fund's net asset value. Conversely, if a Fund has cumulatively paid in dividends more than it has earned, the excess will constitute a negative UNII that will likewise be reflected in the Fund's net asset value. Each Fund will, over time, pay all its net investment income as dividends to shareholders.

As of April 30, 2018, the Funds had positive UNII balances, based upon our best estimate, for tax purposes and positive UNII balances for financial reporting purposes.

All monthly dividends paid by each Fund during the current reporting period were paid from net investment income. If a portion of the Fund's monthly distributions was sourced from or comprised of elements other than net investment income, including capital gains and/or a return of capital, shareholders would have received a notice to that effect. For financial reporting purposes, the composition and per share amounts of each Fund's dividends for the reporting period are presented in this report's Statement of

Share Information (continued)

Changes in Net Assets and Financial Highlights, respectively. For income tax purposes, distribution information for each Fund as of its most recent tax year end is presented in Note 6 — Income Tax Information within the Notes to Financial Statements of this report.

EQUITY SHELF PROGRAMS

During the current reporting period, NUW and NMI were authorized by the Securities and Exchange Commission to issue additional shares through an equity shelf program (Shelf Offering). Under these programs, NUW and NMI, subject to market conditions, may raise additional capital from time to time in varying amounts and offering methods at a net price at or above each Fund's NAV per share. The total amount of shares authorized under these Shelf Offerings are as shown in the accompanying table.

	NUW	NMI
Additional authorized shares	1,400,000	800,000

During the current reporting period, the following Funds sold shares through their Shelf Offerings at a weighted average premium to their NAV per share as shown in the accompanying table.

	NUW	NMI
Shares sold through shelf offering	299,412	180,400
Weighted average premium to NAV per share sold	2.92	% 4.63

Refer to Notes to Financial Statements, Note 4 – Fund Shares, Equity Shelf Programs and Offering Costs for further details of Shelf Offerings and each Fund's respective transactions.

SHARE REPURCHASES

During August 2017, the Funds' Board of Directors/Trustees reauthorized an open-market share repurchase program, allowing each Fund to repurchase an aggregate of up to approximately 10% of its outstanding shares.

As of April 30, 2018, and since the inception of the Funds' repurchase programs, the Funds have cumulatively repurchased and retired their outstanding shares as shown in the accompanying table.

	NUV	NUW	NMI	NEV
Shares cumulatively repurchased and retired	—	—	—	—
Shares authorized for repurchase	20,690,000	1,485,000	845,000	2,495,000

OTHER SHARE INFORMATION

As of April 30, 2018, and during the current reporting period, the Funds' share prices were trading at a premium/(discount) to their NAVs as shown in the accompanying table.

	NUV	NUW	NMI	NEV
NAV	\$10.01	\$16.27	\$11.12	\$14.52
Share price	\$9.52	\$15.76	\$11.21	\$13.33
Premium/(Discount) to NAV	(4.90)%	(3.13)%	0.81%	(8.20)%
6-month average premium/(discount) to NAV	(3.84)%	(0.18)%	1.19%	(6.42)%

Risk Considerations

Fund shares are not guaranteed or endorsed by any bank or other insured depository institution, and are not federally insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Nuveen Municipal Value Fund, Inc. (NUV)

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. Debt or fixed income securities such as those held by the Fund, are subject to market risk, credit risk, interest rate risk, derivatives risk, liquidity risk, and income risk. As interest rates rise, bond prices fall. These and other risk considerations such as tax risk are described in more detail on the Fund's web page at www.nuveen.com/NUV.

Nuveen AMT-Free Municipal Value Fund (NUW)

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. Debt or fixed income securities such as those held by the Fund, are subject to market risk, credit risk, interest rate risk, derivatives risk, liquidity risk, and income risk. As interest rates rise, bond prices fall. These and other risk considerations such as tax risk are described in more detail on the Fund's web page at www.nuveen.com/NUW.

Nuveen Municipal Income Fund, Inc. (NMI)

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. Debt or fixed income securities such as those held by the Fund, are subject to market risk, credit risk, interest rate risk, derivatives risk, liquidity risk, and income risk. As interest rates rise, bond prices fall. These and other risk considerations such as tax risk are described in more detail on the Fund's web page at www.nuveen.com/NMI.

Nuveen Enhanced Municipal Value Fund (NEV)

Investing in closed-end funds involves risk; principal loss is possible. There is no guarantee the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved. Closed-end fund shares may frequently trade at a discount or premium to their net asset value. Debt or fixed income securities such as those held by the Fund, are subject to market risk, credit risk, interest rate risk, derivatives risk, liquidity risk, and income risk. As interest rates rise, bond prices fall. Leverage increases return volatility and magnifies the Fund's potential return and its risks; there is no guarantee a fund's leverage strategy will be successful. The Fund uses only inverse floaters for its leverage, increasing its exposure to interest rate risk and credit risk, including counter-party credit risk. These and other risk considerations such as tax risk are described in more detail on the Fund's web page at www.nuveen.com/NEV.

NUV Nuveen Municipal Value Fund, Inc.

Performance Overview and Holding Summaries as of April 30, 2018

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Average Annual Total Returns as of April 30, 2018

	Cumulative 6-Month	Average Annual			
		1-Year	5-Year	10-Year	
NUV at NAV	(0.85)%2.63	% 3.34	%4.92	%
NUV at Share Price	(3.95)%(0.92)%2.46	%4.24	%
S&P Municipal Bond Index	(0.76)%1.44	% 2.48	%4.26	%

Past performance is not predictive of future results. Current performance may be higher or lower than the data shown. Returns do not reflect the deduction of taxes that shareholders may have to pay on Fund distributions or upon the sale of Fund shares. Returns at NAV are net of Fund expenses, and assume reinvestment of distributions. Comparative index return information is provided for the Fund's shares at NAV only. Indexes are not available for direct investment.

Share Price Performance — Weekly Closing Price