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Item 1 Report to Stockholders

ANNUAL REPORT

**BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)**

**BlackRock Floating Rate Income Strategies Fund, Inc. (FRA)**

**BlackRock Limited Duration Income Trust (BLW)**

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## The Markets in Review

Dear Shareholder,

Uneven economic outlooks and the divergence of monetary policies across regions have been the overarching themes driving financial markets over the past couple of years. In the latter half of 2015, investors were focused largely on the timing of the Federal Reserve's (the Fed) decision to end its near-zero interest rate policy. The Fed ultimately hiked rates in December, while, in contrast, the European Central Bank and the Bank of Japan increased stimulus, even introducing negative interest rates. The U.S. dollar had strengthened considerably, causing profit challenges for U.S. companies that generate revenues overseas, and pressuring emerging market currencies and commodities prices. Also during this time period, oil prices collapsed due to excess global supply. China showed signs of slowing economic growth and declining confidence in the country's policymakers stoked worries about the potential impact on the global economy. Risk assets (such as equities and high yield bonds) struggled as volatility increased.

The elevated market volatility spilled over into 2016, but as the first quarter wore on, fears of a global recession began to fade, allowing markets to calm and risk assets to rebound. Central bank stimulus in Europe and Japan, combined with a more tempered outlook for rate hikes in the United States, helped bolster financial markets. A softening in U.S. dollar strength brought relief to U.S. exporters and emerging market economies, and oil prices rebounded as the world's largest producers agreed to reduce supply.

Volatility spiked in late June when the United Kingdom shocked investors with its vote to leave the European Union. Uncertainty around how the British exit might affect the global economy and political landscape drove investors to high-quality assets, pushing already low global yields to even lower levels. However, risk assets recovered swiftly in July as economic data suggested that the consequences had thus far been contained to the United Kingdom.

With a number of factors holding interest rates down—central bank accommodation, an aging population in need of income, and institutions such as insurance companies and pension plans needing to meet liabilities—assets offering decent yield have become increasingly scarce. As a result, income-seeking investors have stretched into riskier assets despite high valuations in many sectors.

Market volatility touched a year-to-date low in August, which may be a signal that investors have become complacent given persistent macro risks: Geopolitical turmoil continues to loom. A surprise move from the Fed—i.e., raising rates sooner than expected—has the potential to roil markets. And perhaps most likely to stir things up—the U.S. presidential election.

At BlackRock, we believe investors need to think globally, extend their scope across a broad array of asset classes and be prepared to adjust accordingly as market conditions change over time. We encourage you to talk with your financial advisor and visit [blackrock.com](http://blackrock.com) for further insight about investing in today's markets.

Sincerely,

Rob Kapito

President, BlackRock Advisors, LLC

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### Total Returns as of August 31, 2016

	6-month	12-month
U.S. large cap equities (S&P 500® Index)	13.60%	12.55%

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U.S. small cap equities (Russell 2000® Index)	20.87	8.59
International equities (MSCI Europe, Australasia, Far East Index)	10.35	(0.12)
Emerging market equities (MSCI Emerging Markets Index)	22.69	11.83
3-month Treasury bills (BofA Merrill Lynch 3-Month U.S. Treasury Bill Index)	0.17	0.23
U.S. Treasury securities (BofA Merrill Lynch 10-Year U.S. Treasury Index)	2.22	7.35
U.S. investment grade bonds (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index)	3.68	5.97
Tax-exempt municipal bonds (S&P Municipal Bond Index)	3.35	7.03
U.S. high yield bonds (Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Corporate High Yield 2% Issuer Capped Index)	15.56	9.12

Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Index performance is shown for illustrative purposes only. You cannot invest directly in an index.

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## Fund Summary as of August 31, 2016

## BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust

**Fund Overview**

BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust's (BHL) (the Fund) primary investment objective is to provide high current income, with a secondary objective of long-term capital appreciation. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objectives by investing substantially all of its assets in loan and debt instruments and loan-related and debt-related instruments (collectively credit securities). The Fund invests, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its managed assets in any combination of the following credit securities: (i) senior secured floating rate and fixed rate loans; (ii) second lien or other subordinated or unsecured floating rate and fixed rate loans or debt; (iii) credit securities that are rated below investment grade by a nationally recognized credit rating organization or unrated securities that are deemed to be of comparable quality by the investment adviser; and (iv) investment grade corporate bonds. The Fund may invest directly in such securities or synthetically through the use of derivatives.

BHL is scheduled to terminate no later than December 31, 2017.

No assurance can be given that the Fund's investment objectives will be achieved.

**Performance and Portfolio Management Commentary**

Returns for the 12 months ended August 31, 2016 were as follows:

	Returns Based On	
	Market Price	NAV
BHL <sup>1,2</sup>	8.79%	3.91%
Lipper Loan Participation Funds <sup>3</sup>	10.37%	3.86%

<sup>1</sup> All returns reflect reinvestment of dividends and/or distributions.

<sup>2</sup> The Fund's discount to NAV, which narrowed during the period, accounts for the difference between performance based on price and performance based on NAV.

<sup>3</sup> Average return.

Performance results may include adjustments made for financial reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The following discussion relates to the Fund's absolute performance based on NAV:

**What factors influenced performance?**

Credit markets produced positive returns during the 12-month period, with initial declines during the first half of the period giving way to a rebound in the second half. Floating rate loan interests (bank loans) benefited from the steadily improving appetite for credit during the period, but underperformed high yield bonds. Commodity-focused assets make up less of the overall bank loan universe compared to the high yield bond market, and so the recovery in the energy and metals & mining industries during the period did not benefit loans to the same degree. The Fund's tactical allocation to high yield bonds contributed to performance.

Leading positive contributors to the Fund's absolute performance included loan holdings within technology, health care, and consumer services.

Primary detractors from the Fund's performance included small positions in equities and equity-like assets, as well as credit positions in the oilfield services and integrated energy industries within the energy sector.

**Describe recent portfolio activity.**

During the period, the Fund maintained its overall focus on the higher quality segments of the loan market in terms of loan structure, liquidity and overall credit quality. The Fund has concentrated its investments in strong companies with stable cash flows and high quality collateral, with the ability to meet interest obligations and ultimately return principal. In order to capture momentum from the recovery in commodity-related assets, the Fund selectively added to its fixed rate high yield bond allocation. From a sector standpoint, the Fund added to names in the technology and health care sectors, while trimming exposure in the pharmaceuticals and lodging sectors.

**Describe portfolio positioning at period end.**

The Fund held a majority of its total portfolio in floating rate bank loans, with a modest position in relatively conservative high yield corporate bonds. The Fund maintained its highest concentration in higher coupon B-rated loans of select issuers while limiting exposure to low coupon BB-rated loans. Additionally, the Fund held a reduced position in CCC-rated loans, while also avoiding the more volatile segments of that universe, such as oilfield services, metals & mining, and media companies. Leading individual positions included Level 3 Communications, Inc. (wirelines), Altice NV (cable & satellite), and First Data Corp. (technology).

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## BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust

## Fund Information

Symbol on New York Stock Exchange ( NYSE )	BHL
Initial Offering Date	January 31, 2008
Current Distribution Rate on Closing Market Price as of August 31, 2016 (\$13.42) <sup>1</sup>	4.56%
Current Monthly Distribution per Common Share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.051
Current Annualized Distribution per Common Share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.612
Economic Leverage as of August 31, 2016 <sup>3</sup>	26%

<sup>1</sup> Current Distribution Rate on closing market price is calculated by dividing the current annualized distribution per share by the closing market price. The current distribution rate may consist of income, net realized gains and/or a tax return of capital. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

<sup>2</sup> The distribution rate is not constant and is subject to change.

<sup>3</sup> Represents bank borrowings outstanding as a percentage of total managed assets, which is the total assets of the Fund (including any assets attributable to borrowings) minus the sum of liabilities (other than borrowings representing financial leverage). For a discussion of leveraging techniques utilized by the Fund, please see The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging on page 10.

## Market Price and Net Asset Value Per Share Summary

	8/31/16	8/31/15	Change	High	Low
Market Price	\$ 13.42	\$ 12.95	3.63%	\$ 13.61	\$ 12.50
Net Asset Value	\$ 13.70	\$ 13.84	(1.01)%	\$ 13.87	\$ 12.92

## Market Price and Net Asset Value History For the Past Five Years

## Overview of the Fund's Total Investments

Portfolio Composition	8/31/16	8/31/15
Floating Rate Loan Interests	95%	94%
Corporate Bonds	4	3
Asset-Backed Securities	1	3
Short-Term Securities <sup>4</sup>		
Other <sup>5</sup>		

<sup>4</sup> Representing less than 1% of the Fund's total investments.

<sup>5</sup> Includes less than 1% holding in each of the following investments types: Common Stocks, Investment Companies, Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities and Warrants.

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Credit Quality Allocation <sup>6,7</sup>	8/31/16	8/31/15
A	4	1%
BBB/Baa	11%	8
BB/Ba	45	45
B	39	40
CCC/Caa	2	3
N/R	3	3

<sup>6</sup> For financial reporting purposes, credit quality ratings shown above reflect the highest rating assigned by either Standard & Poor's (S&P) or Moody's Investors Service (Moody's) if ratings differ. These rating agencies are independent, nationally recognized statistical rating organizations and are widely used. Investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BBB/Baa or higher. Below investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BB/Ba or lower. Investments designated N/R are not rated by either rating agency. Unrated investments do not necessarily indicate low credit quality. Credit quality ratings are subject to change.

<sup>7</sup> Excludes Short-Term Securities.

## Fund Summary as of August 31, 2016

BlackRock Floating Rate Income Strategies Fund, Inc.

**Fund Overview**

BlackRock Floating Rate Income Strategies Fund, Inc. s (FRA) (the Fund ) investment objective is to provide shareholders with high current income and such preservation of capital as is consistent with investment in a diversified, leveraged portfolio consisting primarily of floating rate debt securities and instruments. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing, under normal market conditions, at least 80% of its managed assets in floating rate debt securities, including floating or variable rate debt securities that pay interest at rates that adjust whenever a specified interest rate changes and/or which reset on predetermined dates (such as the last day of a month or calendar quarter). The Fund invests a substantial portion of its investments in floating rate debt securities consisting of secured or unsecured senior floating rate loans that are rated below investment grade or, if unrated, are considered by the investment adviser to be of comparable quality. The Fund may invest directly in floating rate debt securities or synthetically through the use of derivatives.

No assurance can be given that the Fund s investment objective will be achieved.

**Performance and Portfolio Management Commentary**

Returns for the 12 months ended August 31, 2016 were as follows:

	Returns Based On	
	Market Price	NAV
FRA <sup>1,2</sup>	12.14%	5.00%
Lipper Loan Participation Funds <sup>3</sup>	10.37%	3.86%

<sup>1</sup> All returns reflect reinvestment of dividends and/or distributions.

<sup>2</sup> The Fund s discount to NAV, which narrowed during the period, accounts for the difference between performance based on price and performance based on NAV.

<sup>3</sup> Average return.

Performance results may include adjustments made for financial reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The following discussion relates to the Fund s absolute performance based on NAV:

**What factors influenced performance?**

Credit markets produced positive returns during the 12-month period, with initial declines during the first half of the period giving way to a rebound in the second half. Floating rate loan interests (bank loans) benefited from the steadily improving appetite for credit during the period, but underperformed high yield bonds. Commodity-focused assets make up less of the overall bank loan universe compared to the high yield bond market, and so the recovery in the energy and metals & mining industries during the period did not benefit loans to the same degree. The Fund s tactical allocation to high yield bonds also contributed to performance.

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Leading positive contributors to the Fund's absolute performance included loan holdings within technology, health care, and consumer services.

Primary detractors from the Fund's performance included small positions in equities and equity-like assets, as well as credit positions in the oilfield services and integrated energy industries within the energy sector.

### **Describe recent portfolio activity.**

During the period, the Fund maintained its overall focus on the higher quality segments of the loan market in terms of loan structure, liquidity and overall credit quality. The Fund has concentrated its investments in strong companies with stable cash flows and high quality collateral, with the ability to meet interest obligations and ultimately return principal. In order to capture momentum from the recovery in commodity-related assets, the Fund selectively added to its fixed rate high yield bond allocation. From a sector standpoint, the Fund added to positions in the technology and health care sectors, while trimming exposure in the pharmaceuticals and lodging sectors.

### **Describe portfolio positioning at period end.**

The Fund held a majority of its total portfolio in floating rate bank loans, with a modest position in relatively conservative high yield corporate bonds. The Fund maintained its highest concentration in higher coupon B-rated loans of select issuers while limiting exposure to low coupon BB-rated loans. Additionally, the Fund held a reduced position in CCC-rated loans, while also avoiding the more volatile segments of that universe, such as oilfield services, metals & mining, and media companies. Leading individual positions included Level 3 Communications, Inc. (wirelines), Altice NV (cable & satellite), and First Data Corp. (technology).

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## BlackRock Floating Rate Income Strategies Fund, Inc.

## Fund Information

Symbol on NYSE	FRA
Initial Offering Date	October 31, 2003
Current Distribution Rate on Closing Market Price as of August 31, 2016 (\$13.70) <sup>1</sup>	5.34%
Current Monthly Distribution per Common Share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.061
Current Annualized Distribution per Common Share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.732
Economic Leverage as of August 31, 2016 <sup>3</sup>	29%

<sup>1</sup> Current Distribution Rate on closing market price is calculated by dividing the current annualized distribution per share by the closing market price. The current distribution rate may consist of income, net realized gains and/or a tax return of capital. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

<sup>2</sup> The distribution rate is not constant and is subject to change.

<sup>3</sup> Represents bank borrowings outstanding as a percentage of total managed assets, which is the total assets of the Fund (including any assets attributable to borrowings) minus the sum of liabilities (other than borrowings representing financial leverage). For a discussion of leveraging techniques utilized by the Fund, please see The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging on page 10.

## Market Price and Net Asset Value Per Share Summary

	8/31/16	8/31/15	Change	High	Low
Market Price	\$13.70	\$12.94	5.87%	\$13.70	\$11.97
Net Asset Value	\$14.78	\$14.91	(0.87)%	\$14.94	\$13.91

## Market Price and Net Asset Value History For the Past Five Years

## Overview of the Fund's Total Investments

Portfolio Composition	8/31/16	8/31/15
Floating Rate Loan Interests	93%	92%
Asset-Backed Securities	3	4
Corporate Bonds	4	3
Common Stocks	4	1
Short-Term Securities <sup>4</sup>		
Other <sup>5</sup>		

<sup>4</sup> Representing less than 1% of the Fund's total investments.

<sup>5</sup> Includes a less than 1% holding in each of the following investment types: Investment Companies, Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities, Options Purchased, Other Interests, Preferred Securities and Warrants.

Credit Quality Allocation <sup>6,7</sup>	8/31/16	8/31/15
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A	4	1%
BBB/Baa	11%	8
BB/Ba	44	44
B	39	40
CCC/Caa	3	3
N/R	3	4

<sup>6</sup> For financial reporting purposes, credit quality ratings shown above reflect the highest rating assigned by either S&P or Moody's if ratings differ. These rating agencies are independent, nationally recognized statistical rating organizations and are widely used. Investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BBB/Baa or higher. Below investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BB/Ba or lower. Investments designated N/R are not rated by either rating agency. Unrated investments do not necessarily indicate low credit quality. Credit quality ratings are subject to change.

<sup>7</sup> Excludes Short-Term Securities.

Fund Summary as of August 31, 2016

BlackRock Limited Duration Income Trust

**Fund Overview**

BlackRock Limited Duration Income Trust's (BLW) (the Fund) investment objective is to provide current income and capital appreciation. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing primarily in three distinct asset classes:

intermediate duration, investment grade corporate bonds, mortgage-related securities, asset-backed securities and U.S. Government and agency securities;

senior, secured floating rate loans made to corporate and other business entities; and

U.S. dollar-denominated securities of U.S. and non-U.S. issuers rated below investment grade or unrated and deemed by the investment adviser to be of comparable quality and, to a limited extent, non-U.S. dollar denominated securities of non-U.S. issuers rated below investment grade or unrated and deemed by the investment adviser to be of comparable quality.

The Fund's portfolio normally has an average portfolio duration of less than five years (including the effect of anticipated leverage), although it may be longer from time to time depending on market conditions. The Fund may invest directly in such securities or synthetically through the use of derivatives.

No assurance can be given that the Fund's investment objective will be achieved.

**Performance and Portfolio Management Commentary**

Returns for the 12 months ended August 31, 2016 were as follows:

	Returns Based On	
	Market Price	NAV
BLW <sup>1,2</sup>	17.59%	7.78%
Lipper High Yield Funds (Leveraged) <sup>3</sup>	18.69%	7.88%

<sup>1</sup> All returns reflect reinvestment of dividends and/or distributions.

<sup>2</sup> The Fund's discount to NAV, which narrowed during the period, accounts for the difference between performance based on price and performance based on NAV.

<sup>3</sup> Average return.

Performance results may include adjustments made for financial reporting purposes in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The following discussion relates to the Fund's absolute performance based on NAV:

**What factors influenced performance?**

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The largest contributors to the Fund's absolute performance over the period were its exposures to high yield corporate bonds, senior loans, investment grade corporate bonds and capital securities. Allocations to domestic commercial mortgage-backed securities ( CMBS ) and asset backed securities ( ABS ) also supported returns.

The largest detractor from the Fund's absolute performance over the period was its allocation to non-U.S.-domiciled CMBS, especially issuers located in the United Kingdom and Europe.

The Fund held derivatives during the period including Treasury futures, currency forwards, options and credit default swaps. The derivatives were primarily used to adjust duration (sensitivity to interest rate movements) and yield curve exposure, and to manage credit and currency risk.  
**Describe recent portfolio activity.**

Over the period, the Fund maintained a generally consistent spread duration (sensitivity to credit spreads) while rotating its sector exposure. Given the investment adviser's view that interest rates will likely remain range-bound in the near term, the Fund's allocation to collateralized loan obligations was reduced and was reallocated toward emerging market debt and high-beta sovereign names. This scenario would reduce the risk of a sharply rising U.S. dollar and expand the potential for emerging market countries to cut interest rates. In addition, the Fund's high yield exposure was rotated toward European issuers to take advantage of favorable technical market conditions caused by the European Central Bank's buying program, and to diversify away from U.S. commodity-related issuers. In addition, the Fund's duration was increased and its exposure to floating rate securities was reduced, consistent with the investment adviser's view that rates will not move materially higher any time soon.  
**Describe portfolio positioning at period end.**

The Fund maintained a diversified exposure to non-government spread sectors including high yield, senior loans, investment grade corporate credit, CMBS, ABS, as well as agency and non-agency residential mortgage-backed securities.

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## Fund Information

Symbol on NYSE	BLW
Initial Offering Date	July 30, 2003
Current Distribution Rate on Closing Market Price as of August 31, 2016 (\$15.74) <sup>1</sup>	6.63%
Current Monthly Distribution per Common Share <sup>2</sup>	\$0.087
Current Annualized Distribution per Common Share <sup>2</sup>	\$1.044
Economic Leverage as of August 31, 2016 <sup>3</sup>	30%

<sup>1</sup> Current Distribution Rate on closing market price is calculated by dividing the current annualized distribution per share by the closing market price. The current distribution rate may consist of income, net realized gains and/or a tax return of capital. Past performance does not guarantee future results.

<sup>2</sup> The distribution rate is not constant and is subject to change.

<sup>3</sup> Represents reverse repurchase agreements outstanding as a percentage of total managed assets, which is the total assets of the Fund (including any assets attributable to borrowing) minus the sum of liabilities (other than borrowings representing financial leverage). For a discussion of leveraging techniques utilized by the Fund, please see The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging on page 10.

## Market Price and Net Asset Value Per Share Summary

	8/31/16	8/31/15	Change	High	Low
Market Price	\$ 15.74	\$ 14.60	7.81%	\$ 15.82	\$ 13.31
Net Asset Value	\$ 16.84	\$ 17.04	(1.17)%	\$ 17.10	\$ 15.41

## Market Price and Net Asset Value History For the Past Five Years

## Overview of the Fund's Total Investments

Portfolio Composition	8/31/16	8/31/15
Corporate Bonds	42%	38%
Floating Rate Loan Interests	26	26
Asset-Backed Securities	10	16
Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities	8	10
Preferred Securities	8	8
Foreign Agency Obligations	4	1
U.S. Government Sponsored Agency Securities	1	1
U.S. Treasury Obligations	1	
Other <sup>4</sup>		

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<sup>4</sup> Includes a less than 1% holding in each of the following investment types: Common Stocks, Investment Companies, Options Purchased, Options Written, Other Interests, Short-Term Securities and Warrants.

<b>Credit Quality Allocation<sup>5,6</sup></b>	<b>8/31/16</b>	<b>8/31/15</b>
AAA/Aaa <sup>7</sup>	4%	2%
AA/Aa	1	2
A	7	8
BBB/Baa	19	17
BB/Ba	32	31
B	25	25
CCC/Caa	4	5
N/R	8	10

<sup>5</sup> For financial reporting purposes, credit quality ratings shown above reflect the highest rating assigned by either S&P or Moody's if ratings differ. These rating agencies are independent, nationally recognized statistical rating organizations and are widely used. Investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BBB/Baa or higher. Below investment grade ratings are credit ratings of BB/Ba or lower. Investments designated N/R are not rated by either rating agency. Unrated investments do not necessarily indicate low credit quality. Credit quality ratings are subject to change.

<sup>6</sup> Excludes Options Purchased, Options Written and Short-Term Securities.

<sup>7</sup> The investment adviser evaluates the credit quality of not-rated investments based upon certain factors including, but not limited to, credit ratings for similar investments and financial analysis of sectors, individual investments and/or issuer. Using this approach, the investment adviser has deemed U.S. Government Sponsored Agency Securities and U.S. Treasury Obligations as AAA/Aaa.

## The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging

The Funds may utilize leverage to seek to enhance the distribution rate on, and net asset value ( NAV ) of, their common shares ( Common Shares ). However, these objectives cannot be achieved in all interest rate environments.

In general, the concept of leveraging is based on the premise that the financing cost of leverage, which is based on short-term interest rates, is normally lower than the income earned by a Fund on its longer-term portfolio investments purchased with the proceeds from leverage. To the extent that the total assets of the Funds (including the assets obtained from leverage) are invested in higher-yielding portfolio investments, the Funds' shareholders benefit from the incremental net income. The interest earned on securities purchased with the proceeds from leverage is paid to shareholders in the form of dividends, and the value of these portfolio holdings is reflected in the per share NAV.

To illustrate these concepts, assume a Fund's capitalization is \$100 million and it utilizes leverage for an additional \$30 million, creating a total value of \$130 million available for investment in longer-term income securities. If prevailing short-term interest rates are 3% and longer-term interest rates are 6%, the yield curve has a strongly positive slope. In this case, a Fund's financing costs on the \$30 million of proceeds obtained from leverage are based on the lower short-term interest rates. At the same time, the securities purchased by a Fund with the proceeds from leverage earn income based on longer-term interest rates. In this case, a Fund's financing cost of leverage is significantly lower than the income earned on a Fund's longer-term investments acquired from such leverage proceeds, and therefore the holders of Common Shares ( Common Shareholders ) are the beneficiaries of the incremental net income.

However, in order to benefit shareholders, the return on assets purchased with leverage proceeds must exceed the ongoing costs associated with the leverage. If interest and other costs of leverage exceed the Funds' return on assets purchased with leverage proceeds, income to shareholders is lower than if the Funds had not used leverage. Furthermore, the value of the Funds' portfolio investments generally varies inversely with the direction of long-term interest rates, although other factors can influence the value of portfolio investments. In contrast, the value of the Funds' obligations under their respective leverage arrangements generally

does not fluctuate in relation to interest rates. As a result, changes in interest rates can influence the Funds' NAVs positively or negatively. Changes in the future direction of interest rates are very difficult to predict accurately, and there is no assurance that the Funds' intended leveraging strategy will be successful.

The use of leverage also generally causes greater changes in each Fund's NAV, market price and dividend rates than comparable portfolios without leverage. In a declining market, leverage is likely to cause a greater decline in the NAV and market price of a Fund's shares than if the Fund were not leveraged. In addition, each Fund may be required to sell portfolio securities at inopportune times or at distressed values in order to comply with regulatory requirements applicable to the use of leverage or as required by the terms of leverage instruments, which may cause the Funds to incur losses. The use of leverage may limit a Fund's ability to invest in certain types of securities or use certain types of hedging strategies. Each Fund incurs expenses in connection with the use of leverage, all of which are borne by shareholders and may reduce income to the shareholders. Moreover, to the extent the calculation of the Funds' investment advisory fees includes assets purchased with the proceeds of leverage, the investment advisory fees payable to the Funds' investment adviser will be higher than if the Funds did not use leverage.

Each Fund may utilize leverage through a credit facility or reverse repurchase agreements as described in the Notes to Financial Statements.

Under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the 1940 Act ), the Funds are permitted to issue debt up to 33 1/3% of their total managed assets. A Fund may voluntarily elect to limit its leverage to less than the maximum amount permitted under the 1940 Act. In addition, a Fund may also be subject to certain asset coverage, leverage or portfolio composition requirements imposed by its credit facility, which may be more stringent than those imposed by the 1940 Act.

If a Fund segregates or designates on its books and records cash or liquid assets having values not less than the value of a Fund's obligations under the reverse repurchase agreement (including accrued interest), then such transaction is not considered a senior security and is not subject to the foregoing limitations and requirements under the 1940 Act.

## Derivative Financial Instruments

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The Funds may invest in various derivative financial instruments. These instruments are used to obtain exposure to a security, commodity, index, market, and/or other asset without owning or taking physical custody of securities, commodities and/or other referenced assets or to manage market, equity, credit, interest rate, foreign currency exchange rate, commodity and/or other risks. Derivative financial instruments may give rise to a form of economic leverage and involve risks, including the imperfect correlation between the value of a derivative financial instrument and the underlying asset, possible default of the counterparty to the

transaction or illiquidity of the instrument. The Funds' successful use of a derivative financial instrument depends on the investment adviser's ability to predict pertinent market movements accurately, which cannot be assured. The use of these instruments may result in losses greater than if they had not been used, may limit the amount of appreciation a Fund can realize on an investment and/or may result in lower distributions paid to shareholders. The Funds' investments in these instruments, if any, are discussed in detail in the Notes to Financial Statements.

## Schedule of Investments August 31, 2016

## BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)

(Percentages shown are based on Net Assets)

Common Stocks (a)	Shares	Value
<b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels 0.0%</b>		
Vantage Drilling International	46	
<b>Specialty Retail 0.0%</b>		
Things Remembered, Inc.	215,057	\$ 2
	<b>Par</b>	
	<b>(000)</b>	
<b>Asset-Backed Securities (b)(c)</b>		
<b>Asset-Backed Securities 1.5%</b>		
ALM XIV Ltd., Series 2014-14A, Class C, 4.19%, 7/28/26	USD 463	448,357
ALM XVII Ltd., Series 2015-17A, Class C1, 4.83%, 1/15/28	250	238,125
Atlas Senior Loan Fund Ltd., Series 2014-6A, Class D, 4.38%, 10/15/26	250	236,643
Atrium CDO Corp., Series 9A, Class D, 4.33%, 2/28/24	250	243,816
Carlyle Global Market Strategies CLO Ltd., Series 2012-4A, Class D, 5.20%, 1/20/25	250	250,023
Octagon Investment Partners XXI Ltd., Series 2014-1A, Class C, 4.47%, 11/14/26	250	235,974
Webster Park CLO Ltd., Series 2015-1A, Class B1, 3.80%, 1/20/27	250	251,268
<b>Total Asset-Backed Securities 1.5%</b>		1,904,206
<b>Corporate Bonds</b>		
<b>Airlines 0.7%</b>		
American Airlines Pass-Through Trust, Series 2013-2, Class C, 6.00%, 1/15/17 (b)	244	246,633
Delta Air Lines Pass-Through Trust, Series 2009-1, Class B, 9.75%, 6/17/18	37	38,180
US Airways Pass-Through Trust, Series 2012-2, Class C, 5.45%, 6/03/18	590	611,387
		896,200
<b>Commercial Services &amp; Supplies 0.2%</b>		
ADT Corp., 4.13%, 6/15/23	224	219,520
Avis Budget Car Rental LLC/Avis Budget Finance, Inc., 3.59%, 12/01/17 (c)	68	68,170
		287,690
<b>Communications Equipment 0.1%</b>		
Avaya, Inc., 7.00%, 4/01/19 (b)	85	63,325
<b>Containers &amp; Packaging 1.3%</b>		
Ardagh Packaging Finance PLC/Ardagh Holdings USA, Inc. (b)(c):		
3.86%, 12/15/19	260	262,600
4.07%, 5/15/21	249	253,357
	<b>Par</b>	<b>Value</b>
	<b>(000)</b>	
<b>Corporate Bonds</b>		
<b>Containers &amp; Packaging (continued)</b>		
Reynolds Group Issuer, Inc./Reynolds Group Issuer LLC/Reynolds Group Issuer, 4.13%, 7/15/21 (b)(c)	USD 1,160	\$ 1,177,400
		1,693,357
<b>Diversified Telecommunication Services 0.3%</b>		
Level 3 Financing, Inc.:		
4.41%, 1/15/18 (c)	228	229,140
6.13%, 1/15/21	127	131,763
		360,903
<b>Electric Utilities 0.1%</b>		
Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Co. LLC/TCEH Finance, Inc., 11.50%, 10/01/20 (a)(b)(d)	234	76,006
<b>Health Care Providers &amp; Services 0.1%</b>		

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RegionalCare Hospital Partners Holdings, Inc., 8.25%, 5/01/23 (b)	75	76,406
<b>Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Producers 0.3%</b>		
NRG Energy, Inc., 6.25%, 7/15/22	340	347,225
<b>Media 1.2%</b>		
Altice Financing SA (b):		
6.63%, 2/15/23	200	208,250
7.50%, 5/15/26	200	210,500
Clear Channel Worldwide Holdings, Inc., 6.50%, 11/15/22	358	375,005
SFR Group SA (b):		
6.00%, 5/15/22	200	204,400
6.25%, 5/15/24	240	241,800
7.38%, 5/01/26	255	263,288
		1,503,243
<b>Metals &amp; Mining 0.4%</b>		
Freeport-McMoRan, Inc., 2.38%, 3/15/18	506	497,778
<b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels 1.1%</b>		
Cheniere Corpus Christi Holdings LLC, 7.00%, 6/30/24 (b)	155	165,850
Concho Resources, Inc., 5.50%, 4/01/23	20	20,650
CONSOL Energy, Inc., 5.88%, 4/15/22	376	340,280
CrownRock LP/CrownRock Finance, Inc., 7.13%, 4/15/21 (b)	20	20,800
Extraction Oil & Gas Holdings LLC/Extraction Finance Corp., 7.88%, 7/15/21 (b)	50	50,500
MEG Energy Corp., 7.00%, 3/31/24 (b)	60	48,300
Newfield Exploration Co., 5.63%, 7/01/24	20	20,650
NGPL PipeCo LLC, 7.12%, 12/15/17 (b)	85	88,719
RSP Permian, Inc., 6.63%, 10/01/22	20	20,800
Sabine Pass Liquefaction LLC:		
5.63%, 4/15/23	345	363,112
5.88%, 6/30/26 (b)	140	149,800
Tallgrass Energy Partners LP/Tallgrass Energy Finance Corp., 5.50%, 9/15/24 (b)(e)	70	71,750
		1,361,211
<b>Total Corporate Bonds 5.8%</b>		7,163,344

### Portfolio Abbreviations

<b>ABS</b>	Asset-Backed Security	<b>EUR</b>	Euro	<b>PIK</b>	Payment-In-Kind
<b>ADS</b>	American Depositary Shares	<b>GBP</b>	British Pound	<b>RUB</b>	Russian Ruble
<b>AUD</b>	Australian Dollar	<b>JPY</b>	Japanese Yen	<b>SEK</b>	Swedish Krona
<b>BRL</b>	Brazilian Real	<b>KRW</b>	South Korean Won	<b>SGD</b>	Singapore Dollar
<b>CAD</b>	Canadian Dollar	<b>LIBOR</b>	London Interbank Offered Rate	<b>S&amp;P</b>	Standard and Poor's
<b>CHF</b>	Swiss Franc	<b>LOC</b>	Letter of Credit	<b>USD</b>	U.S. Dollar
<b>CLO</b>	Collateralized Loan Obligation	<b>MXN</b>	Mexican Peso	<b>ZAR</b>	South African Rand
<b>DIP</b>	Debtor-In-Possession	<b>NOK</b>	Norwegian Krone		
<b>ETF</b>	Exchange-Traded Fund	<b>OTC</b>	Over-the-Counter		

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## Schedule of Investments (continued)

## BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)

	Par	
	(000)	Value
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Aerospace &amp; Defense 1.9%</b>		
BE Aerospace, Inc., 2014 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 12/16/21	USD 507	\$ 511,334
Camp International Holding Co., 2016 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 8/11/23	230	228,372
Engility Corp.:		
Term Loan B1, 4.88%, 8/12/20	80	80,450
Term Loan B2, 5.75%, 8/12/23	155	156,363
TransDigm, Inc.:		
2015 Term Loan E, 3.75%, 5/14/22	217	216,716
2016 Delayed Draw Term Loan F, 3.75%, 6/09/23	133	132,683
2016 Extended Term Loan F, 3.75%, 6/09/23	647	645,655
2016 Term Loan F, 3.75%, 6/09/23	148	147,425
Term Loan D, 3.75%, 6/04/21	259	257,939
		2,376,937
<b>Air Freight &amp; Logistics 1.0%</b>		
CEVA Group PLC, Synthetic LOC, 6.50%, 3/19/21	156	124,243
CEVA Intercompany BV, Dutch Term Loan, 6.50%, 3/19/21	161	128,072
CEVA Logistics Canada ULC, Canadian Term Loan, 6.50%, 3/19/21	25	20,059
CEVA Logistics US Holdings, Inc., Term Loan, 6.50%, 3/19/21	222	176,651
XPO Logistics, Inc., Term Loan B2, 4.25%, 10/30/21	803	806,994
		1,256,019
<b>Airlines 0.6%</b>		
Delta Air Lines, Inc., 2018 Term Loan B1, 3.25%, 10/18/18	317	317,784
Northwest Airlines, Inc.:		
2.75%, 3/10/17	60	59,108
2.13%, 9/10/18	136	132,844
US Airways Group, Inc., Term Loan B1, 3.50%, 5/23/19	252	252,044
		761,780
<b>Auto Components 1.8%</b>		
Autoparts Holdings Ltd.:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 7.00%, 7/29/17	569	537,835
2nd Lien Term Loan, 11.00%, 1/29/18	200	171,570
FPC Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 11/19/19	322	273,014
Gates Global, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 7/06/21	1,088	1,070,745
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 2nd Lien Term Loan, 3.75%, 4/30/19	200	200,150
		2,253,314
<b>Automobiles 0.6%</b>		
FCA US LLC, Term Loan B:		
2018, 3.25%, 12/31/18	109	109,454
3.50%, 5/24/17	602	602,550
		712,004
<b>Banks 0.3%</b>		
Redtop Acquisitions Ltd.:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 12/03/20	254	253,183
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.25%, 6/03/21	68	66,885
		320,068
<b>Biotechnology 0.2%</b>		
AMAG Pharmaceuticals, Inc., 2015 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 8/13/21	188	187,687
<b>Building Materials 1.2%</b>		
USAGM HoldCo LLC:		
2015 2nd Lien Term Loan, 9.50%, 7/28/23	145	143,187
2015 Term Loan, 4.75%, 7/28/22	548	537,145
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>	<b>Par</b>	<b>Value</b>

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**Building Materials (continued)**

USAGM HoldCo LLC (continued):

2016 Incremental Term Loan, 5.50%, 7/28/22 USD 801 \$ 799,985

1,480,317

**Building Products 2.8%**

Continental Building Products LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, 3.50%, 8/10/23

259 259,615

CPG International, Inc., Term Loan, 4.75%, 9/30/20

1,172 1,169,533

GYP Holdings III Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 4/01/21

267 266,050

Jeld-Wen, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 10/15/21

416 418,359

Ply Gem Industries, Inc., Term Loan, 4.00%, 2/01/21

289 289,244

Quikrete Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.00%, 9/28/20

503 504,512

Wilsonart LLC:

Incremental Term Loan B2, 4.00%, 10/31/19

107 107,116

Term Loan B, 4.00%, 10/31/19

489 488,598

3,503,027

**Capital Markets 0.7%**

Affinion Group, Inc., Term Loan B, 6.75%, 4/30/18

145 140,019

RPI Finance Trust, Term Loan B4, 3.50%, 11/09/20

776 780,362

920,381

**Chemicals 4.6%**

Allnex (Luxembourg) & Cy SCA:

2016 Term Loan B2, 5.00%, 5/31/23

97 97,380

Term Loan B1, 4.50%, 10/03/19

249 248,305

Allnex USA, Inc.:

Term Loan B2, 4.50%, 10/03/19

129 128,834

Term Loan B3, 5.00%, 5/31/23

73 73,365

Axalta Coating Systems US Holdings, Inc., Term Loan, 3.75%, 2/01/20

459 461,087

CeramTec Acquisition Corp., Term Loan B2, 4.25%, 8/30/20

26 26,383

Charter NEX US Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 2/07/22

257 258,970

Chemours Co., Term Loan B, 3.75%, 5/12/22

280 275,900

Evergreen Acqco 1 LP, Term Loan, 5.00%, 7/09/19

68 59,291

Huntsman International LLC:

2013 Incremental Term Loan, 3.75%, 10/01/21

303 304,040

2016 Term Loan B, 4.25%, 4/01/23

200 200,374

Klockner-Pentaplast of America, Inc., Term Loan, 5.00%, 4/28/20

268 269,159

MacDermid, Inc.:

1st Lien Term Loan, 5.50%, 6/07/20

387 386,358

Term Loan B2, 5.50%, 6/07/20

32 31,884

Term Loan B3, 5.50%, 6/07/20

722 721,645

OXEA Finance LLC, Term Loan B2, 4.25%, 1/15/20

720 684,186

PQ Corp., Term Loan, 5.75%, 11/04/22

314 315,906

Royal Holdings, Inc.:

2015 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 6/19/22

257 257,964

2015 2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.50%, 6/19/23

110 108,350

Solenis International LP:

1st Lien Term Loan, 4.25%, 7/31/21

349 344,815

2nd Lien Term Loan, 7.75%, 7/31/22

390 372,645

Tata Chemicals North America, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.75%, 8/07/20

105 104,934

5,731,775

**Commercial Services & Supplies 7.3%**

ADMI Corp., 2015 Term Loan B, 5.25%, 4/30/22

262 263,438

ADS Waste Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B2, 3.75%, 10/09/19

700 698,830

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	Par		
	(000)		Value
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>			
<b>Commercial Services &amp; Supplies (continued)</b>			
Aramark Services, Inc.:			
Term Loan E, 3.25%, 9/07/19	USD 450		\$ 450,877
Term Loan F, 3.25%, 2/24/21	192		192,109
Brand Energy & Infrastructure Services, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.75%, 11/26/20	636		628,362
Catalent Pharma Solutions, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 5/20/21	947		952,110
Connolly Corp.:			
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 5/14/21	853		854,005
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.00%, 5/14/22	35		35,266
Creative Artists Agency LLC, Term Loan B, 5.00%, 12/17/21	236		236,991
Dealer Tire LLC, Term Loan B, 5.50%, 12/22/21	212		212,763
Employbridge LLC, Exit Term Loan, 7.50%, 5/16/20	141		120,373
GCA Services Group, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 5.75%, 3/01/23	429		431,426
KAR Auction Services, Inc.:			
Term Loan B2, 3.94%, 3/11/21	302		303,958
Term Loan B3, 4.25%, 3/09/23	404		408,787
Livingston International, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.00%, 4/18/19	301		278,147
Prime Security Services Borrower LLC:			
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 7/01/21	43		43,365
2016 Incremental Term Loan B1, 4.75%, 5/02/22	273		274,288
PSSI Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, 5.00%, 12/02/21	369		370,298
Spin Holdco, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 11/14/19	981		971,359
TruGreen Limited Partnership, 1st Lien Term Loan B, 6.50%, 4/13/23	230		231,150
US Ecology, Inc., Term Loan, 3.75%, 6/17/21	154		154,532
US Security Associates Holdings, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 6.00%, 7/14/23	454		453,596
Waste Industries USA, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 3.50%, 2/27/20	503		503,667
			9,069,697
<b>Communications Equipment 1.9%</b>			
Applied Systems, Inc.:			
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.00%, 1/25/21	176		176,323
2nd Lien Term Loan, 7.50%, 1/24/22	84		84,308
CommScope, Inc., Term Loan B5, 3.75%, 12/29/22	208		209,077
Riverbed Technology, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 5.00%, 4/24/22	441		443,507
Telesat Canada, Term Loan B2, 3.50%, 3/28/19	139		139,106
Zayo Group LLC, Term Loan B, 3.75%, 5/06/21	1,270		1,271,276
			2,323,597
<b>Construction &amp; Engineering 0.8%</b>			
AECOM Technology Corp., 2014 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 10/15/21	84		84,176
CNT Holdings III Corp., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 1/22/23	284		285,234
Safway Group Holding LLC, Term Loan B, 5.75%, 8/19/23	655		655,000
			1,024,410
<b>Construction Materials 1.5%</b>			
Filtration Group Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.25%, 11/21/20	795		793,558
HD Supply, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 8/13/21	839		843,106
Headwaters, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 3/24/22	163		162,519
McJunkin Red Man Corp., Term Loan, 5.00%, 11/08/19	99		96,150
			1,895,333
	<b>Par</b>		
	<b>(000)</b>		<b>Value</b>
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>			
<b>Containers &amp; Packaging 2.1%</b>			
Ardagh Holdings USA, Inc., Incremental Term Loan, 4.00%, 12/17/19	USD 503		\$ 504,260
Berry Plastics Holding Corp., Term Loan H, 3.75%, 10/03/22	1,243		1,242,320
BWAY Holding Co., Inc., Term Loan B, 5.50%, 8/14/20	861		863,746

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		2,610,326
<b>Distributors 0.4%</b>		
ABC Supply Co., Inc., Term Loan, 3.50%, 4/16/20	338	338,230
American Tire Distributors Holdings, Inc., 2015 Term Loan, 5.25%, 9/01/21	215	212,031
		550,261
<b>Diversified Consumer Services 3.3%</b>		
AssuredPartners, Inc., 2015 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.75%, 10/21/22	707	709,357
Bright Horizons Family Solutions, Inc.:		
Incremental Term Loan B1, 4.25%, 1/30/20	79	78,918
Term Loan B, 3.75%, 1/30/20	622	624,081
CT Technologies Intermediate Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 12/01/21	272	266,150
J.D. Power and Associates, 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 5/24/23	285	286,069
Laureate Education, Inc., Term Loan B, 8.16%, 3/17/21	55	54,787
ROC Finance LLC, Term Loan, 5.00%, 6/20/19	383	373,438
ServiceMaster Co., 2014 Term Loan B, 4.25%, 7/01/21	1,693	1,703,340
		4,096,140
<b>Diversified Financial Services 0.9%</b>		
AlixPartners LLP, 2015 Term Loan B, 4.50%, 7/28/22	432	433,896
Diamond US Holding LLC, Term Loan B, 4.75%, 12/17/21	222	217,931
SAM Finance Luxembourg Sarl, Term Loan, 4.25%, 12/17/20	402	400,677
		1,052,504
<b>Diversified Telecommunication Services 3.6%</b>		
Hawaiian Telcom Communications, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 6/06/19	510	511,543
Integra Telecom, Inc.:		
2015 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 8/14/20	504	499,021
2nd Lien Term Loan, 9.75%, 2/12/21	168	158,692
Level 3 Financing, Inc.:		
2013 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 1/15/20	2,330	2,341,650
2019 Term Loan, 4.00%, 8/01/19	350	350,995
Telenet International Finance Sarl, Term Loan AD, 4.25%, 6/30/24	550	551,071
		4,412,972
<b>Electrical Equipment 0.7%</b>		
Texas Competitive Electric Holdings Co. LLC:		
2016 DIP Term Loan B, 5.00%, 10/31/17	614	615,789
2016 DIP Term Loan C, 5.00%, 10/31/17	140	140,375
Extended Term Loan, 4.97%, 10/10/17 (a)(d)	380	121,600
		877,764
<b>Electronic Equipment, Instruments &amp; Components 0.1%</b>		
CPI Acquisition, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.50%, 8/17/22	176	171,092
<b>Energy Equipment &amp; Services 0.3%</b>		
Dynegy Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B2, 4.00%, 4/23/20	173	172,426
Exgen Texas Power LLC, Term Loan B, 5.75%, 9/16/21	235	188,870
		361,296

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	Par	
	(000)	Value
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Food &amp; Staples Retailing 3.2%</b>		
Albertsons LLC:		
2016 Term Loan B4, 4.50%, 8/25/21	USD 1,011	\$ 1,015,210
2016 Term Loan B5, 4.75%, 12/21/22	82	82,280
Hostess Brands LLC:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 8/03/22	491	493,621
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.50%, 8/03/23	16	15,645
Rite Aid Corp.:		
5.75%, 8/21/20	278	279,088
4.88%, 6/21/21	562	562,364
US Foods, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 6/27/23	1,485	1,491,504
		3,939,712
<b>Food Products 2.5%</b>		
Blue Ribbon LLC, Term Loan, 5.00%, 11/13/21	399	401,505
CTI Foods Holding Co. LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 6/29/20	243	233,414
Dole Food Co., Inc., Term Loan B, 4.50%, 11/01/18	604	606,059
Pinnacle Foods Finance LLC:		
2016 Term Loan I, 3.27%, 1/13/23	114	115,045
Term Loan G, 3.25%, 4/29/20	605	606,723
Reddy Ice Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, 6.75%, 5/01/19	359	327,255
Reynolds Group Holdings, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 4.25%, 2/05/23	791	791,966
		3,081,967
<b>Health Care Equipment &amp; Supplies 4.0%</b>		
Alere, Inc.:		
2015 Term Loan A, 3.50%, 6/18/20	106	104,255
2015 Term Loan B, 4.25%, 6/18/22	432	426,374
Auris Luxembourg III Sarl, Term Loan B4, 4.25%, 1/15/22	555	556,026
Capsugel Holdings US, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.00%, 7/31/21	869	873,285
DJO Finance LLC, 2015 Term Loan, 4.25%, 6/08/20	1,067	1,027,844
Iasis Healthcare LLC, Term Loan B2, 4.50%, 5/03/18	143	141,516
ImmuCor, Inc., Refinancing Term Loan B2, 5.00%, 8/17/18	513	496,924
National Vision, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.00%, 3/12/21	694	681,733
Ortho-Clinical Diagnostics, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.75%, 6/30/21	616	600,621
		4,908,578
<b>Health Care Providers &amp; Services 9.8%</b>		
Acadia Healthcare Co., Inc.:		
Term Loan B, 3.75%, 2/11/22	110	110,182
Term Loan B2, 4.50%, 2/16/23	488	489,378
Air Medical Group Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 4/28/22	103	101,894
Amsurg Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan B, 3.50%, 7/16/21	686	686,288
CHG Healthcare Services, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 4.75%, 6/07/23	768	772,399
Community Health Systems, Inc.:		
Term Loan F, 4.08%, 12/31/18	298	293,086
Term Loan G, 3.75%, 12/31/19	554	532,182
Curo Health Services Holdings, Inc., 2015 1st Lien Term Loan, 6.50%, 2/07/22	346	345,625
DaVita HealthCare Partners, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.50%, 6/24/21	2,171	2,182,096
Envision Healthcare Corp., Term Loan:		
4.25%, 5/25/18	965	965,363
B2, 4.50%, 10/28/22	204	204,167
HC Group Holdings III, Inc., Term Loan B, 6.00%, 4/07/22	326	326,570
	<b>Par</b>	
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Health Care Providers &amp; Services (continued)</b>		
HCA, Inc.:		
Term Loan B6, 3.77%, 3/17/23	USD 1,179	\$ 1,192,253

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Term Loan B7, 3.57%, 2/15/24	163	164,720
National Mentor Holdings, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 1/31/21	105	104,907
NVA Holdings, Inc.:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 8/14/21	4	3,676
2016 Term Loan, 5.50%, 8/14/21	256	255,788
Precyse Acquisition Corp., 2016 1st Lien Term Loan, 6.50%, 10/20/22	376	376,732
Sterigenics-Nordion Holdings LLC, 2015 Term Loan B, 4.25%, 5/15/22	715	712,370
Surgery Center Holdings, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 11/03/20	435	435,010
Surgical Care Affiliates, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 3/17/22	504	505,821
Team Health, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 3.75%, 11/23/22	486	487,068
U.S. Renal Care, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, 5.25%, 12/31/22	392	377,565
Vizient, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 6.25%, 2/13/23	464	468,768
		12,093,908
<b>Health Care Technology 0.8%</b>		
Emdeon Business Services LLC, Term Loan B3, 3.75%, 11/02/18	55	54,897
IMS Health, Inc., Term Loan, 3.50%, 3/17/21	943	942,902
		997,799
<b>Hotels, Restaurants &amp; Leisure 8.6%</b>		
Amaya Holdings BV:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 5.00%, 8/01/21	575	568,835
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.00%, 8/01/22	227	224,807
AMF Bowling Centers, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 6.00%, 8/17/23	263	260,809
Boyd Gaming Corp.:		
Term Loan B, 4.00%, 8/14/20	218	218,341
Term Loan B2, 4.00%, 8/16/23	480	481,800
Burger King Newco Unlimited Liability Co., Term Loan B2, 3.75%, 12/10/21	1,073	1,076,891
Caesars Entertainment Resort Properties LLC, Term Loan B, 7.00%, 10/11/20	1,733	1,693,403
CCM Merger, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.50%, 8/08/21	316	317,871
Diamond Resorts Corp., Term Loan, 7.00%, 5/09/21	436	436,329
Eldorado Resorts LLC, Term Loan B, 4.25%, 7/23/22	481	481,149
ESH Hospitality, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 3.80%, 8/16/23	730	731,518
Hilton Worldwide Finance LLC:		
2016 Term Loan B2, 3.21%, 10/26/23	540	542,303
Term Loan B1, 3.50%, 10/26/20	53	52,822
La Quinta Intermediate Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, 3.75%, 4/14/21	188	186,194
Las Vegas Sands LLC, Term Loan B, 3.25%, 12/19/20	585	586,831
MPH Acquisition Holdings LLC, 2016 Term Loan B, 5.00%, 6/07/23	620	626,460
RHP Hotel Properties LP, Term Loan B, 3.50%, 1/15/21	289	289,678
Sabre, Inc.:		
Incremental Term Loan, 4.50%, 2/19/19	93	92,966
Term Loan B, 4.00%, 2/19/19	490	491,307
Scientific Games International, Inc.:		
2014 Term Loan B1, 6.00%, 10/18/20	266	265,908
2014 Term Loan B2, 6.00%, 10/01/21	181	180,875
Station Casinos LLC, 2016 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 6/08/23	574	574,242

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## Schedule of Investments (continued)

## BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)

	Par	
	(000)	Value
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Hotels, Restaurants &amp; Leisure (continued)</b>		
Yum! Brands, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, 3.26%, 6/16/23	USD 330	\$ 331,944
		10,713,283
<b>Household Products 0.8%</b>		
Bass Pro Group LLC, 2015 Term Loan, 4.00%, 6/05/20	180	178,902
Spectrum Brands, Inc., Term Loan, 3.50%, 6/23/22	833	836,327
		1,015,229
<b>Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Producers 4.1%</b>		
Aria Energy Operating LLC, Term Loan, 5.50%, 5/27/22	280	268,513
Calpine Construction Finance Co., LP, Term Loan B1, 3.00%, 5/03/20	362	357,332
Calpine Corp.:		
Term Loan B5, 3.50%, 5/27/22	116	115,586
Term Loan B6, 4.00%, 1/15/23	483	484,886
Term Loan B7, 3.64%, 5/02/23	299	299,662
Dynegy, Inc., Escrow, 5.00%, 6/27/23	800	800,128
Energy Future Intermediate Holding Co. LLC, DIP Term Loan, 4.25%, 12/19/16	1,370	1,375,256
Granite Acquisition, Inc.:		
Term Loan B, 5.00%, 12/19/21	750	729,996
Term Loan C, 5.00%, 12/19/21	33	32,610
NRG Energy, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 3.50%, 6/30/23	385	384,457
Terra-Gen Finance Co. LLC, Term Loan B, 5.25%, 12/09/21	346	292,096
		5,140,522
<b>Industrial Conglomerates 0.1%</b>		
Sequa Corp., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 6/19/17	111	95,610
<b>Insurance 2.0%</b>		
AmWINS Group LLC, 2014 2nd Lien Term Loan, 9.50%, 9/04/20	144	144,964
Asurion LLC:		
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.50%, 3/03/21	245	244,020
Term Loan B1, 5.00%, 5/24/19	622	621,974
Term Loan B4, 5.00%, 8/04/22	444	443,508
Sedgwick Claims Management Services, Inc.:		
2016 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 3/01/21	205	206,154
1st Lien Term Loan, 3.75%, 3/01/21	450	444,030
2nd Lien Term Loan, 6.75%, 2/28/22	410	405,215
		2,509,865
<b>Internet &amp; Catalog Retail 0.6%</b>		
Harbor Freight Tools USA, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 8/19/23	692	692,949
<b>Internet Software &amp; Services 0.7%</b>		
Go Daddy Operating Co. LLC, Term Loan B, 4.25%, 5/13/21	564	565,878
WaveDivision Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, 4.00%, 10/15/19	334	334,135
		900,013
<b>IT Services 5.0%</b>		
Abacus Innovations Corp., Term Loan B, 3.57%, 1/26/23	918	922,305
Cision US Inc., Term Loan B, 7.00%, 6/16/23	280	265,650
First Data Corp., 2021 Extended Term Loan, 4.52%, 3/24/21	3,003	3,017,196
Global Payments Inc., Term Loan B, 4.02%, 4/22/23	660	663,869
Vantiv LLC, 2014 Term Loan B, 3.50%, 6/13/21	383	384,221
WEX, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.25%, 7/01/23	910	916,334
		6,169,575
	<b>Par</b>	
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>	<b>(000)</b>	<b>Value</b>

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<b>Machinery 2.1%</b>			
Allison Transmission, Inc., Term Loan B3, 3.50%, 8/23/19	USD	272	\$ 272,051
<b>Faenza Acquisition GmbH:</b>			
Term Loan B1, 4.25%, 8/30/20		237	238,021
Term Loan B3, 4.25%, 8/30/20		72	72,750
Infiltrator Systems, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 4.50%, 5/27/22		336	336,300
Mueller Water Products, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.00%, 11/26/21		177	177,596
Rexnord LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan B, 4.00%, 8/21/20		528	527,561
Silver II US Holdings LLC, Term Loan, 4.00%, 12/13/19		808	718,711
Wabash National Corp., 2015 Term Loan B, 4.25%, 3/16/22		200	200,211
			2,543,201
<b>Manufacture Goods 0.1%</b>			
KP Germany Erste GmbH, 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.00%, 4/28/20		114	115,025
<b>Media 13.4%</b>			
Altice U.S. Finance I Corp., Extended Term Loan, 4.25%, 12/14/22		1,070	1,073,604
Cengage Learning Acquisitions, Inc., 2016 Term Loan B, 5.25%, 6/07/23		511	509,795
<b>Charter Communications Operating LLC:</b>			
2016 Term Loan H, 3.25%, 8/24/21		239	240,099
2016 Term Loan I, 3.50%, 1/24/23		1,881	1,890,744
CSC Holdings LLC, 2015 Term Loan B, 5.00%, 10/09/22		1,107	1,115,762
Hemisphere Media Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, 5.00%, 7/30/20		365	364,073
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Co., 2015 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 5/31/21		555	550,303
<b>iHeartCommunications, Inc.:</b>			
Extended Term Loan E, 8.02%, 7/30/19		110	84,059
Term Loan D, 7.27%, 1/30/19		1,321	1,012,527
Intelsat Jackson Holdings SA, Term Loan B2, 3.75%, 6/30/19		759	719,823
Liberty Cablevision of Puerto Rico LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 1/07/22		275	270,875
Live Nation Entertainment, Inc., 2020 Term Loan B1, 3.50%, 8/16/20		112	112,048
MCC Iowa LLC, Term Loan J, 3.75%, 6/30/21		123	122,705
Mediacom Communications Corp., Term Loan F, 2.95%, 3/31/18		249	248,951
MGOC, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.00%, 7/31/20		484	483,961
Numericable Group SA, Term Loan B5, 4.56%, 7/31/22		85	84,802
<b>Numericable U.S. LLC:</b>			
Term Loan B6, 4.75%, 2/10/23		925	927,801
Term Loan B7, 5.00%, 1/15/24		279	280,766
SBA Senior Finance II LLC, Term Loan B1, 3.25%, 3/24/21		1,022	1,020,633
Sinclair Television Group, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.00%, 4/09/20		39	38,962
Trader Corp., Term Loan, 5.50%, 8/09/23		350	350,220
Tribune Media Co., Term Loan, 3.75%, 12/27/20		888	890,055
Univision Communications, Inc., Term Loan C4, 4.00%, 3/01/20		1,782	1,780,799
UPC Financing Partnership, Term Loan AN, 3.00%, 8/31/24		345	343,761
<b>Virgin Media Investment Holdings Ltd.:</b>			
Term Loan E, 4.25%, 6/30/23	GBP	650	852,412
Term Loan F, 3.65%, 6/30/23	USD	525	525,117

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	Par (000)	Value
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Media (continued)</b>		
Ziggo Financing Partnership:		
Term Loan B1, 3.65%, 1/15/22	USD 280	\$ 278,124
Term Loan B2A, 3.70%, 1/15/22	182	181,320
Term Loan B3, 3.70%, 1/15/22	299	297,775
		16,651,876
<b>Metals &amp; Mining 0.8%</b>		
Ameriforge Group, Inc., 2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.75%, 12/19/20	100	12,000
FMG Resources August 2006 Property Ltd., Term Loan B, 3.75%, 6/30/19	74	73,998
Freeport McMoran Copper & Gold Inc., Term Loan A, 3.28%, 5/31/18	151	149,826
Novelis, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 6/02/22	781	781,881
		1,017,705
<b>Multiline Retail 2.2%</b>		
BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc.:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 9/26/19	800	798,735
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.50%, 3/26/20	199	199,380
Dollar Tree, Inc., Term Loan B1, 3.50%, 7/06/22	856	857,538
Hudson's Bay Co., 2015 Term Loan B, 4.75%, 9/30/22	497	497,406
Neiman Marcus Group, Inc., 2020 Term Loan, 4.25%, 10/25/20	372	349,186
		2,702,245
<b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels 4.2%</b>		
California Resources Corp.:		
Second Out Term Loan, 11.50%, 8/04/21	570	597,075
Term Loan A, 3.70%, 10/01/19	403	383,113
Chesapeake Energy Corp., Term Loan, 8.50%, 8/15/21	739	761,721
CITGO Holding, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, 9.50%, 5/12/18	238	239,063
Drillships Financing Holding, Inc., Term Loan B1, 6.00%, 3/31/21	230	105,510
Energy Transfer Equity LP, Term Loan:		
2015, 4.04%, 12/02/19	225	223,031
3.29%, 12/02/19	47	45,792
EP Energy LLC, 2016 Term Loan, 9.75%, 8/16/21	106	104,308
EWT Holdings III Corp., 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 1/15/21	132	131,954
Green Energy Partners/Stonewall LLC, Term Loan B1, 6.50%, 11/13/21	205	193,213
MEG Energy Corp., Refinancing Term Loan, 3.75%, 3/31/20	715	656,255
Panda Patriot LLC, Term Loan B1, 6.75%, 12/19/20	319	302,974
Power Buyer LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.25%, 5/06/20	114	113,602
PowerTeam Services LLC, 2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.25%, 11/06/20	105	103,950
Seventy Seven Operating LLC, Term Loan B, 3.75%, 6/25/20	60	52,211
Southcross Energy Partners LP, 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.25%, 8/04/21	12	9,750
Stonewall Gas Gathering LLC, Term Loan B, 8.75%, 1/28/22	179	181,657
TPF II Power LLC, Term Loan B, 5.00%, 10/02/21	471	473,080
Veresen Midstream Limited Partnership, Term Loan B1, 5.25%, 3/31/22	575	568,778
		5,247,037
<b>Personal Products 1.0%</b>		
Prestige Brands, Inc., Term Loan B3, 3.50%, 9/03/21	541	543,164
Revlon Consumer Products Corp., 2016 Term Loan B, 1.00%, 7/22/23	680	678,980
		1,222,144
	<b>Par</b>	
	<b>(000)</b>	<b>Value</b>
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Pharmaceuticals 6.1%</b>		
Akorn, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 4/16/21	USD 563	\$ 567,780
CCC Information Services, Inc., Term Loan, 4.00%, 12/20/19	207	206,892
DPx Holdings BV, 2014 Incremental Term Loan, 4.25%, 3/11/21	1,499	1,492,835

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Endo Luxembourg Finance Co. I Sarl, 2015 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 9/26/22	515	511,830
Grifols Worldwide Operations USA, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.44%, 2/27/21	1,412	1,421,064
Jaguar Holding Co. II, 2015 Term Loan B, 4.25%, 8/18/22	1,314	1,317,913
NBTY, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.00%, 5/05/23	400	399,640
Valeant Pharmaceuticals International, Inc.:		
Series A3 Tranche A, 4.28%, 10/20/18	120	120,385
Series A4 Tranche A, 4.26%, 4/01/20	130	129,086
Series C2 Term Loan B, 5.25%, 12/11/19	884	884,726
Series D2 Term Loan B, 5.00%, 2/13/19	350	349,792
Series E Term Loan B, 5.25%, 8/05/20	209	208,638
		7,610,581
<b>Professional Services 2.9%</b>		
Advantage Sales & Marketing, Inc.:		
2014 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.25%, 7/23/21	581	576,474
2014 2nd Lien Term Loan, 7.50%, 7/25/22	160	152,133
Emdeon Business Services LLC, Term Loan B2, 3.75%, 11/02/18	816	815,275
Sterling Infosystems, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan B, 5.75%, 6/20/22	367	365,249
TransUnion LLC, Term Loan B2, 3.50%, 4/09/21	1,667	1,672,144
		3,581,275
<b>Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) 1.5%</b>		
Communications Sales & Leasing, Inc., Term Loan B, 5.00%, 10/24/22	539	538,738
MGM Growth Properties LLC, 2016 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 4/25/23	1,248	1,258,304
		1,797,042
<b>Real Estate Management &amp; Development 1.6%</b>		
CityCenter Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, 4.25%, 10/16/20	489	491,618
DTZ U.S. Borrower LLC, 2015 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.25%, 11/04/21	545	542,161
Realogy Corp.:		
2016 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 7/20/22	714	717,864
Term Loan A, 2.50%, 10/23/20	252	249,254
		2,000,897
<b>Semiconductors &amp; Semiconductor Equipment 2.8%</b>		
Avago Technologies Cayman Ltd., Term Loan B3, 3.51%, 2/01/23	2,046	2,063,758
Cavium, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.75%, 8/16/22	210	210,525
Microsemi Corp., 2015 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 1/15/23	100	100,692
NXP BV, 2015 Term Loan B, 3.75%, 12/07/20	1,010	1,015,446
ON Semiconductor Corp., Term Loan B, 5.25%, 3/31/23	125	126,540
		3,516,961
<b>Software 6.2%</b>		
BMC Software Finance, Inc., Term Loan, 5.00%, 9/10/20	236	225,035
Evertec Group LLC, Term Loan B, 3.25%, 4/17/20	114	112,204
Infor US, Inc., Term Loan B5, 3.75%, 6/03/20	842	831,989
Informatica Corp., Term Loan, 4.50%, 8/05/22	923	890,798
IQOR US, Inc., Term Loan B, 6.00%, 4/01/21	142	120,372

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	Par	
	(000)	Value
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Software (continued)</b>		
Kronos, Inc.:		
2nd Lien Term Loan, 9.75%, 4/30/20	USD 409	\$ 417,420
Initial Incremental Term Loan, 4.50%, 10/30/19	485	486,933
Mitchell International, Inc.:		
1st Lien Term Loan, 4.50%, 10/13/20	491	489,336
2nd Lien Term Loan, 8.50%, 10/11/21	350	339,063
SolarWinds, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 5.50%, 2/03/23	730	732,373
Solera LLC, Term Loan B, 5.75%, 3/03/23	239	240,683
Sophia LP, 2015 Term Loan B, 4.75%, 9/30/22	403	403,067
SS&C Technologies, Inc.:		
2015 Term Loan B1, 4.00%, 7/08/22	1,136	1,142,609
2015 Term Loan B2, 4.00%, 7/08/22	144	144,964
Vertafore, Inc., 2016 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.75%, 6/30/23	1,085	1,086,660
		7,663,506
<b>Specialty Retail 2.4%</b>		
Equinox Holdings, Inc., Repriced Term Loan B, 5.00%, 1/31/20	294	294,976
Leslie's Poolmart, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 5.25%, 7/27/23	275	276,719
Michaels Stores, Inc.:		
Incremental 2014 Term Loan B2, 4.00%, 1/28/20	534	537,590
Term Loan B, 3.75%, 1/28/20	507	509,026
Party City Holdings, Inc., 2015 Term Loan B, 4.49%, 8/19/22	705	705,404
Petco Animal Supplies, Inc.:		
2016 Term Loan B1, 5.00%, 1/26/23	179	180,567
2016 Term Loan B2, 5.00%, 1/26/23	373	375,748
Things Remembered, Inc., 2016 Term Loan, 1.00%, 2/29/20	215	94,517
		2,974,547
<b>Technology Hardware, Storage &amp; Peripherals 1.3%</b>		
Dell International LLC, Term Loan B2, 4.00%, 4/29/20	314	314,893
Dell, Inc.:		
2016 Term Loan B, 4.00%, 5/24/23	575	578,082
Term Loan C, 3.75%, 10/29/18	514	513,339
Linxens France SA, Term Loan, 5.00%, 10/14/22	179	179,213
		1,585,527
<b>Textiles, Apparel &amp; Luxury Goods 0.6%</b>		
Ascend Performance Materials Operations LLC, Term Loan B, 6.75%, 8/12/22	552	543,584
J. Crew Group, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.00%, 3/05/21	77	60,521
Samsonite International SA, Term Loan B, 4.00%, 5/12/23	115	116,150
		720,255
<b>Thrifts &amp; Mortgage Finance 0.4%</b>		
IG Investment Holdings LLC, Term Loan B, 6.00%, 10/29/21	494	494,836
<b>Trading Companies &amp; Distributors 0.3%</b>		
Beacon Roofing Supply, Inc., Term Loan B, 4.00%, 10/01/22	317	317,573
Nexeo Solutions LLC, 2016 Term Loan, 5.25%, 6/09/23	60	60,188
		377,761
<b>Transportation 0.2%</b>		
Gruden Acquisition, Inc., 1st Lien Term Loan, 5.75%, 8/18/22	289	257,713
	Par	
<b>Floating Rate Loan Interests (c)</b>		
<b>Wireless Telecommunication Services 2.7%</b>		
Ligado Networks LLC, PIK Exit Term Loan (9.75% PIK), 9.75%, 6/15/20 (a)(d)(f)	USD 1,677	\$ 1,521,934
LTS Buyer LLC, 1st Lien Term Loan, 4.00%, 4/13/20	1,132	1,130,388

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T-Mobile USA, Inc., Term Loan B, 3.50%, 11/09/22	631	635,133
		3,287,455
<b>Total Floating Rate Loan Interests 133.6%</b>		<b>165,575,300</b>
<b>Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities 0.3%</b>		
<b>Collateralized Mortgage Obligations 0.3%</b>		
Hilton USA Trust, Series 2013-HLT, Class EFX, 5.61%, 11/05/30 (b)(c)	304	304,763
<b>Investment Companies</b>	<b>Shares</b>	
<b>Capital Markets 0.4%</b>		
Eaton Vance Floating-Rate Income Trust	12	169
Eaton Vance Senior Income Trust	3,347	21,086
iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF (g)	5,864	508,467
<b>Total Investment Companies 0.4%</b>		<b>529,722</b>
<b>Warrants 0.0%</b>		
<b>Software 0.0%</b>		
HMH Holdings/EduMedia (Issued/exercisable 3/09/10, 19 Shares for 1 Warrant, Expires 6/22/19, Strike Price \$42.27)	691	1,408
<b>Total Long-Term Investments</b>		
<b>(Cost \$176,025,294) 141.6%</b>		<b>175,478,745</b>
<b>Short-Term Securities</b>		
BlackRock Liquidity Funds, TempFund, Institutional Class, 0.33% (g)(h)	220,100	220,100
<b>Total Short-Term Securities</b>		
<b>(Cost \$220,100) 0.2%</b>		<b>220,100</b>
<b>Total Investments (Cost \$176,245,394) 141.8%</b>		<b>175,698,845</b>
<b>Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets (41.8)%</b>		<b>(51,782,581)</b>
<b>Net Assets 100.0%</b>		<b>\$ 123,916,264</b>

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## Notes to Schedule of Investments

- (a) Non-income producing security.
- (b) Security exempt from registration pursuant to Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration to qualified institutional investors.
- (c) Variable rate security. Rate as of period end.
- (d) Issuer filed for bankruptcy and/or is in default.
- (e) When-issued security.
- (f) Payment-in-kind security which may pay interest/dividends in additional par/shares and/or in cash. Rates shown are the current rate and possible payment rates.
- (g) During the year ended August 31, 2016, investments in issuers considered to be affiliates of the Fund for purposes of Section 2(a)(3) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, were as follows:

Affiliate	Shares Held at August 31, 2015	Shares Purchased	Shares Sold	Shares Held at August 31, 2016	Value at August 31, 2016	Income
BlackRock Liquidity Funds, TempFund, Institutional Class	254,052		(33,952) <sup>1</sup>	220,100	\$ 220,100	\$ 1,098
iShares iBoxx \$ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF		5,864		5,864	508,467	2,015
<b>Total</b>					\$ 728,567	\$ 3,113

<sup>1</sup> Represents net shares sold.

- (h) Current yield as of period end.

For Fund compliance purposes, the Fund's industry classifications refer to one or more of the industry sub-classifications used by one or more widely recognized market indexes or rating group indexes, and/or as defined by the investment adviser. These definitions may not apply for purposes of this report, which may combine such industry subclassifications for reporting ease.

**Derivative Financial Instruments Outstanding as of Period End**  
**Futures Contracts**

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Contracts Short	Issue	Expiration	Notional Value	Unrealized Depreciation
(4)	10-Year U.S. Treasury Note	December 2016	\$523,688	\$ (340)

**Forward Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts**

Currency Purchased	Currency Sold	Counterparty	Settlement Date	Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation)
USD 857,832	GBP 651,000	HSBC Bank PLC	9/06/16	\$ 2,920
USD 853,722	GBP 651,000	Royal Bank of Scotland PLC	10/05/16	(1,833)
<b>Total</b>				<b>\$ 1,087</b>

**OTC Total Return Swaps**

Reference Entity	Fixed Rate/ Floating Rate	Counterparty	Effective Date	Expiration Date	Notional Amount (000)	Premium Value (Received)	Unrealized Depreciation
IBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Index	3-Month LIBOR Plus 0.00% <sup>1</sup>	JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A.	N/A	12/20/16	USD 125	\$ 6,714	\$ 6,714

<sup>1</sup> Fund pays the total return of the reference entity and receives the floating rate.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

## Schedule of Investments (continued)

BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)

## Derivative Financial Instruments Categorized by Risk Exposure

As of period end, the fair values of derivative financial instruments located in the Statements of Assets and Liabilities were as follows:

Assets	Derivative Financial Instruments	Commodity Contracts	Credit Contracts	Equity Contracts	Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	Interest Rate Contracts	Other Contracts	Total
Forward foreign currency exchange contracts	Net unrealized appreciation on forward foreign currency exchange contracts				\$ 2,920			\$ 2,920
Swaps	OTC					\$ 6,714		6,714
	Unrealized appreciation on OTC swaps							
<b>Total</b>					\$ 2,920	\$ 6,714		\$ 9,634
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Derivative Financial Instruments</b>							
Futures contracts	Net unrealized depreciation <sup>1</sup>					\$ 340		\$ 340
Forward foreign currency exchange contracts	Net unrealized depreciation on forward foreign currency exchange contracts				\$ 1,833			1,833
<b>Total</b>					\$ 1,833	\$ 340		\$ 2,173

<sup>1</sup> Includes cumulative appreciation (depreciation) on futures contracts, if any, as reported in the Schedule of Investments. Only current day's variation margin is reported within the Statements of Assets and Liabilities.

For the year ended August 31, 2016, the effect of derivative financial instruments in the Statements of Operations was as follows:

Realized Gain (Loss) From:	Commodity Contracts	Credit Contracts	Equity Contracts	Foreign Currency Exchange Contracts	Interest Rate Contracts	Other Contracts	Total
Futures contracts					\$ (22,589)		\$ (22,589)
Forward foreign currency exchange contracts				\$ 156,900			156,900
Swaps		\$ (20,991)			(113)		(21,104)
<b>Total</b>		\$ (20,991)		\$ 156,900	\$ (22,702)		\$ 113,207
<b>Net Change in Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) on:</b>							
Futures contracts					\$ (843)		\$ (843)
Forward foreign currency exchange contracts				\$ (10,253)			(10,253)
Swaps		\$ 7,012			6,714		13,726
<b>Total</b>		\$ 7,012		\$ (10,253)	\$ 5,871		\$ 2,630

## Average Quarterly Balances of Outstanding Derivative Financial Instruments

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Futures contracts:	
Average notional value of contracts short	\$ 517,563
Forward foreign currency exchange contracts:	
Average amounts purchased in USD	\$ 1,534,673
Credit default swaps:	
Average notional value sell protection	\$ 1,243,500 <sup>1</sup>
Total return swaps:	
Average notional value	\$ 62,500

<sup>1</sup> Actual amounts for the period are shown due to limited outstanding derivative financial instruments as of each quarter end.

For more information about the Fund's investment risks regarding derivative financial instruments, refer to the Notes to Financial Statements.

See Notes to Financial Statements.

## Schedule of Investments (continued)

BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)

**Derivative Financial Instruments Offsetting as of Period End**

The Fund's derivative assets and liabilities (by type) were as follows:

	Assets	Liabilities
<b>Derivative Financial Instruments:</b>		
Forward foreign currency exchange contracts	\$ 2,920	\$ 1,833
Swaps - OTC	6,714	
Total derivative assets and liabilities in the Statements of Assets and Liabilities	9,634	1,833

**Derivatives not subject to a Master Netting Agreement or similar agreement ( MNA )**

Total derivative assets and liabilities subject to an MNA	\$ 9,634	\$ 1,833
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The following table presents the Fund's derivative assets and liabilities by counterparty net of amounts available for offset under an MNA and net of the related collateral received and pledged by the Fund:

Counterparty	Derivative Assets Subject to an MNA by Counterparty	Derivatives Available for Offset	Non-cash Collateral Received	Cash Collateral Received	Net Amount of Derivative Assets <sup>1</sup>
HSBC Bank PLC	\$ 2,920				\$ 2,920
JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A.	6,714				6,714
	\$ 9,634				\$ 9,634

Counterparty	Derivative Liabilities Subject to an MNA by Counterparty	Derivatives Available for Offset	Non-cash Collateral Pledged	Cash Collateral Pledged	Net Amount of Derivative Liabilities <sup>2</sup>
Royal Bank of Scotland PLC	\$ 1,833				\$ 1,833

<sup>1</sup> Net amount represents the net amount receivable from the counterparty in the event of default.

<sup>2</sup> Net amount represents the net amount payable due to the counterparty in the event of default.

**Fair Value Hierarchy as of Period End**

Various inputs are used in determining the fair value of investments and derivative financial instruments. For information about the Fund's policy regarding valuation of investments and derivative financial instruments, refer to the Notes to Financial Statements.

The following tables summarize the Fund's investments and derivative financial instruments categorized in the disclosure hierarchy:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Assets:</b>				

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Investments:

Long-Term Investments:				
Asset-Backed Securities		\$ 1,414,813	\$ 489,393	\$ 1,904,206
Common Stocks			2	2
Corporate Bonds		7,163,344		7,163,344
Floating Rate Loan Interests		157,782,588	7,792,712	165,575,300
Investment Companies	\$ 529,722			529,722
Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities		304,763		304,763
Warrants			1,408	1,408
Unfunded Floating Rate Loan Interests <sup>1</sup>		1,293		1,293
Short-Term Securities	220,100			220,100
<b>Total</b>	\$ 749,822	\$ 166,666,801	\$ 8,283,515	\$ 175,700,138

Derivative Financial Instruments<sup>2</sup>

**Assets:**

Foreign currency exchange contracts		\$ 2,920		\$ 2,920
Interest rate contracts		6,714		6,714
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Foreign currency exchange contracts			(1,833)	(1,833)
Interest rate contracts	\$ (340)			(340)

**Total** \$ (340) \$ 7,801 \$ 7,461

<sup>1</sup> Unfunded floating rate loan interests are valued at the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on the commitment.

<sup>2</sup> Derivative financial instruments are forward foreign currency exchange contracts, futures contracts, and swaps, which are valued at the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on the instrument.

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## Schedule of Investments (concluded)

## BlackRock Defined Opportunity Credit Trust (BHL)

The Fund may hold assets and/or liabilities in which the fair value approximates the carrying amount for financial statement purposes. As of period end, such assets and/or liabilities are categorized within the disclosure hierarchy as follows:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
<b>Assets:</b>				
Cash	\$ 94,917			\$ 94,917
Cash pledged for futures contracts	5,700			5,700
Foreign currency at value	669			669
<b>Liabilities:</b>				
Bank borrowings payable		\$ (44,000,000)		(44,000,000)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 101,286</b>	<b>\$ (44,000,000)</b>		<b>\$ (43,898,714)</b>

During the year ended August 31, 2016, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2.

A reconciliation of Level 3 investments is presented when the Fund had a significant amount of Level 3 investments at the beginning and/or end of the period in relation to net assets. The following table is a reconciliation of Level 3 investments for which significant unobservable inputs were used in determining fair value:

	Common Stocks	Asset-Backed Securities	Floating Rate Loan Interests	Warrants	Total
<b>Assets:</b>					
Opening balance, as of August 31, 2015		\$ 1,801,100	\$ 7,593,019	\$ 5,940	\$ 9,400,059
Transfers into Level 3 <sup>1</sup>			4,221,805		4,221,805
Transfers out of Level 3 <sup>2</sup>			(2,415,126)		(2,415,126)
Accrued discounts/premiums		3,467	9,159		12,626
Net realized gain (loss)		(234,932)	(395,383)		(630,315)
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) <sup>3,4</sup>	\$ 2	(429)	166,252	(4,532)	161,293
Purchases		488,209	3,326,862		3,815,071
Sales		(1,568,022)	(4,713,876)		(6,281,898)
<b>Closing balance, as of August 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$ 2</b>	<b>\$ 489,393</b>	<b>\$ 7,792,712</b>	<b>\$ 1,408</b>	<b>\$ 8,283,515</b>
Net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments still held at August 31, 2016 <sup>4</sup>		\$ 835	\$ 42,253	\$ (4,532)	\$ 38,556

<sup>1</sup> As of August 31, 2015, the Fund used observable inputs in determining the value of certain investments. As of August 31, 2016, the Fund used significant unobservable inputs in determining the value of the same investments. As a result, investments at beginning of period value were transferred from Level 2 to Level 3 in the disclosure hierarchy.

<sup>2</sup> As of August 31, 2015, the Fund used significant unobservable inputs in determining the value of certain investments. As of August 31, 2016, the Fund used observable inputs in determining the value of the same investments. As a result, investments at beginning of period value were transferred from Level 3 to Level 2 in the disclosure hierarchy.

<sup>3</sup> Included in the related net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) in the Statements of Operations.

<sup>4</sup> Any difference between net change in unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments still held at August 31, 2016 is generally due to investments no longer held or categorized as Level 3 at period end.

The Fund's investments that are categorized as Level 3 were valued utilizing third party pricing information without adjustment. Such valuations are based on unobservable inputs. A significant change in third party information could result in a significantly lower or higher value of such Level 3 investments.

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2016

BlackRock Floating Rate Income Strategies Fund, Inc. (FRA)

(Percentages shown are based on Net Assets)

Common Stocks (a)	Shares	Value
<b>Chemicals 0.0%</b>		
GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc.	143,928	\$ 4,318
GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. (b)(e)	23,849	715
		5,033
<b>Diversified Financial Services 0.0%</b>		
Kcad Holdings I Ltd.	309,827,230	105,341
<b>Health Care Management Services 0.0%</b>		
New Millennium HoldCo, Inc.	14,906	11,299
<b>Oil, Gas &amp; Consumable Fuels 0.0%</b>		
Southcross Holdings LP	99	29,700
Vantage Drilling International	189	
		29,700
<b>Semiconductors &amp; Semiconductor Equipment 0.0%</b>		
SunPower Corp.	1,860	18,526
<b>Specialty Retail 0.0%</b>		
Things Remembered, Inc.	932,803	9
<b>Total Common Stocks 0.0%</b>		169,908

Asset-Backed Securities (b)(c)	Par	(000)
<b>ALM Loan Funding:</b>		
Series 2012-5A, Class BR, 3.68%, 10/18/27	USD 250	250,316
Series 2013-7RA, Class C, 4.16%, 4/24/24	825	803,373
Series 2013-7RA, Class D, 5.71%, 4/24/24	900	842,512
ALM XIV Ltd., Series 2014-14A, Class C, 4.19%, 7/28/26	463	448,357
ALM XVI Ltd./ALM XVI LLC, Series 2015-16A, Class B, 3.58%, 7/15/27	1,000	987,702
ALM XVII Ltd., Series 2015-17A, Class C1, 4.83%, 1/15/28	500	476,250
AMMC CLO Ltd., Series 2014-15A, Class D, 5.03%, 12/09/26	250	244,375
Ares CLO Ltd., Series 2014-32A, Class C, 5.02%, 11/15/25	1,000	999,939
Ares XXXVII CLO Ltd., Series 2015-4A, Class C, 4.93%, 10/15/26	350	349,925
Atlas Senior Loan Fund Ltd., Series 2014-6A, Class D, 4.38%, 10/15/26	860	814,053
Atrium CDO Corp., Series 9A, Class D, 4.33%, 2/28/24	1,350	1,316,606