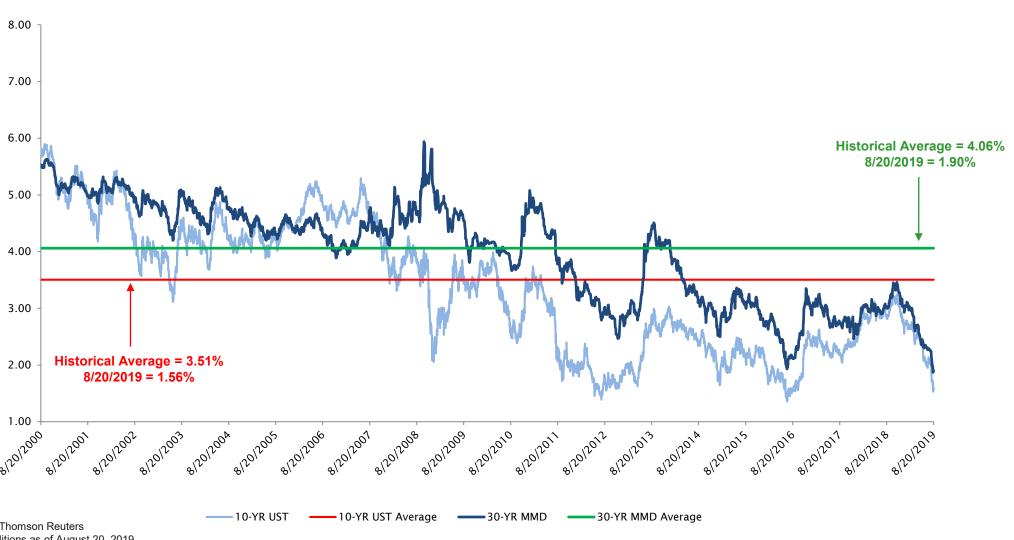
# Financing Structures for 4% LIHTC Transactions with Taxable FHA Loans



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### Long Term Yield Curves (as of 08/20/19)

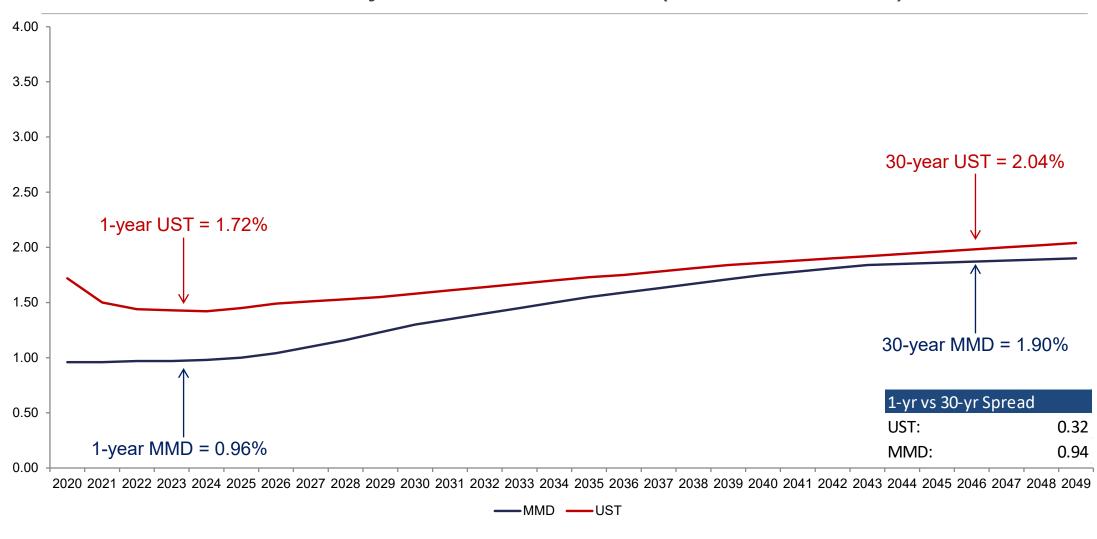


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#### Historically Flat Yield Curve (as of 08/20/19)



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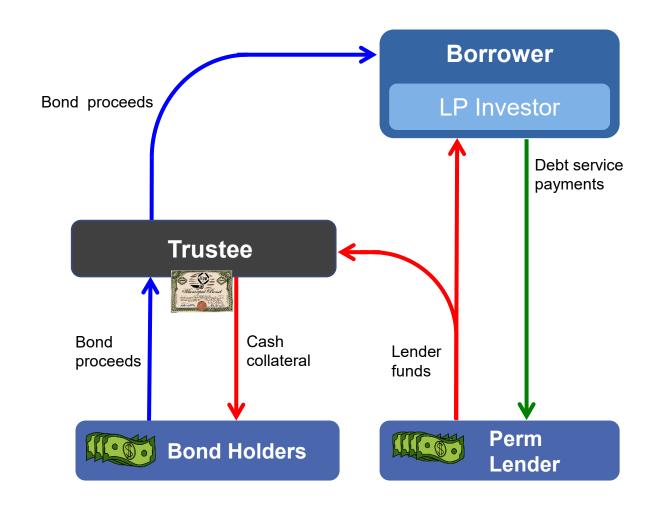
#### Short Term Cash-Backed Bonds with Taxable Perm Loan

- Favorable Underwriting Terms for FHA loans include:
  - 35/40-year full term / amortization
  - No resizing at conversion
  - Non-recourse & integrated construction and perm
  - Most are structured as draw-down loans to avoid neg arb
  - FHA debt qualifies for 10-year hold exemption (for acquisition credits)
  - Rates below 4% plus MIP
  - Davis Bacon wages triggered for sub rehab / new construction deals

### 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits: The 50% Test

- Project still need tax exempt bonds to qualify for 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits
- At least 50% of aggregate basis (including building and land) must be financed with tax exempt bond proceeds
- Provides a significant (~30% or higher) additional source of funds for affordable housing transactions

### Short Term Cash Backed Bonds



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Bond Amount to meet 50% test < Taxable Loan Amount (see prior slide): No additional collateral needed!

Bond Amount to meet 50% test > Taxable Loan Amount: Need other collateral sources of funds including:

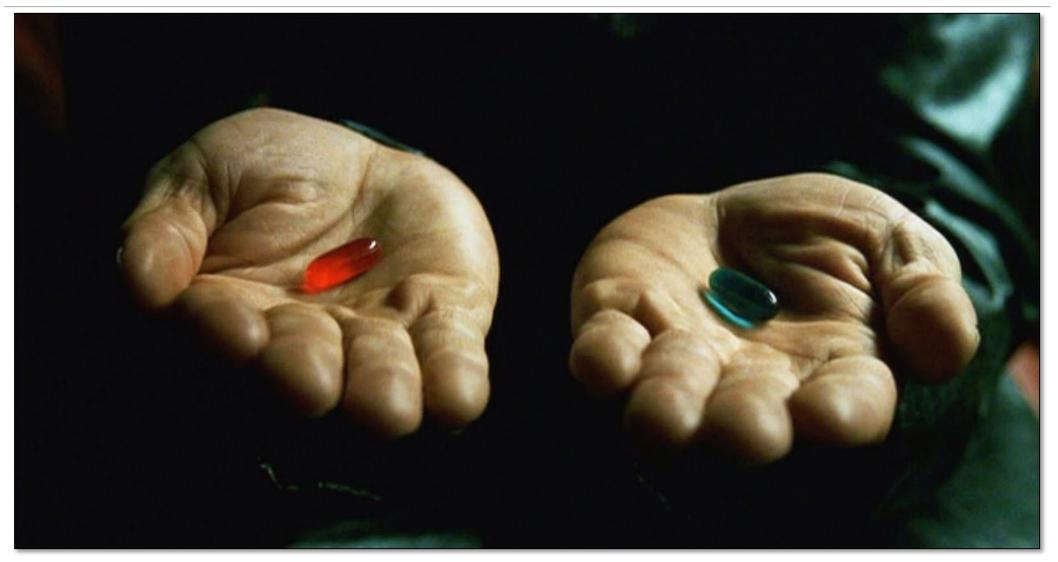
- Subordinate Loan Proceeds
- Seller Note
- Tax Credit Equity

## Other Cost Saving Features/Options

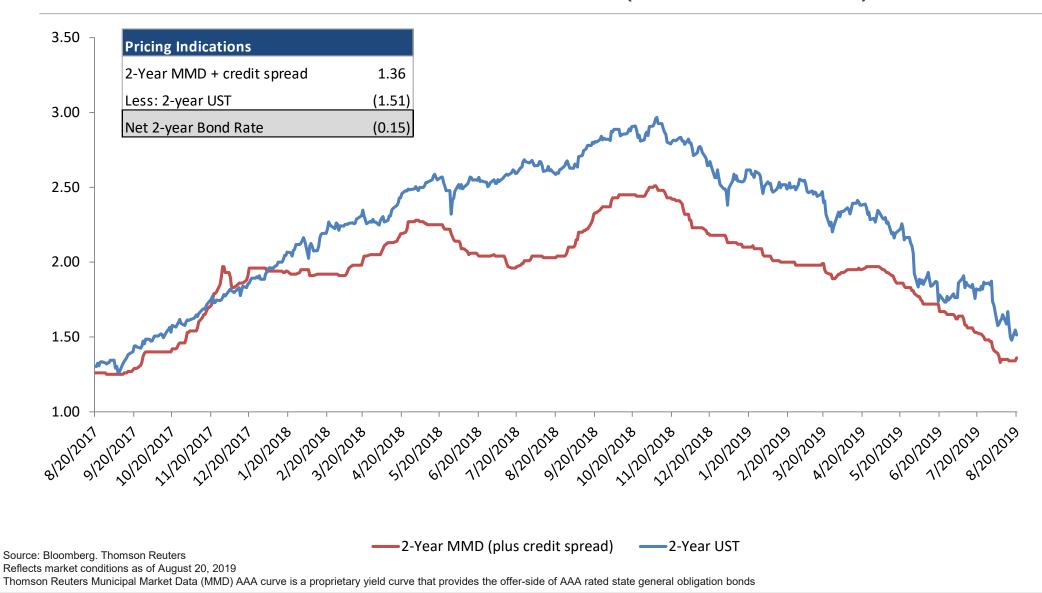
#### Methods to reduce transaction costs and generate more proceeds:

- Pooled financings multiple projects w/ one aggregate bond issuance
- No long-term bond related fees
- Potential for additional tax credit equity due to increased basis
- No net interest cost on bonds in current market

# Negative Arbitrage or Positive Arbitrage?



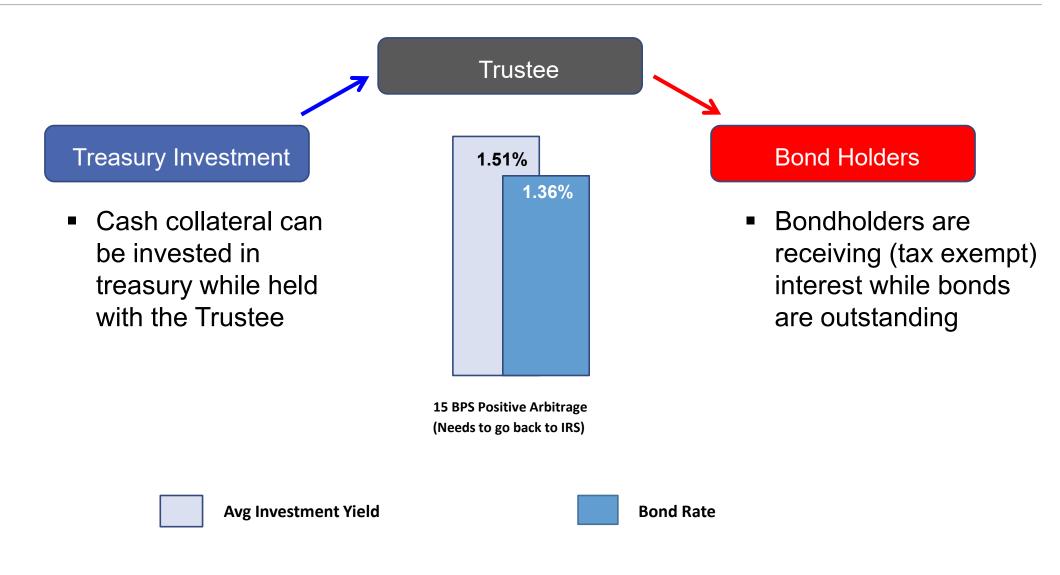
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### Negative/Positive Arbitrage





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### Costs of the Short Term Bond Deal

Issuer Fees\*: 0.10% - 3.00%

Bond Counsel\*: \$35,000 - \$100,000

Underwriter's Fee: 0.50% - 1.00%

Underwriter's Counsel: \$35,000 - \$50,000

Miscellaneous: \$10,000 - \$20,000

Negative Arbitrage\*: ZERO

# Timing of the Short Term Bond Deal

#### **Bond Application/Volume Cap/Initial Approval**

As soon as possible

#### **Document Preparations and Review**

Around Submission of Taxable Loan Application

#### **Bond Pricing**

~2 weeks before Closing

#### Pre-close/Close

Simultaneous with Taxable Loan closing

# Long Term Bonds Backed by GNMAs

- Long-term tax-exempt rates are starting to trend lower than taxable rates
- Newer "pass through" bond structure sold to certain buyers based on historic average life has recently priced well in the market while reducing certain traditional bond costs
- Negative arbitrage can still result in significant up-front deposit for new construction / sub rehab deals (we can help with this)
- Other factors for structure should be discussed well in advance of starting documents

## Tax Exempt Seller "Take Back" Note & Bonds

- Many 4% preservation deals include seller financing in the form of a subordinate "take-back" note (common in RAD transactions)
- Due to the LIHTC 50% test, tax-exempt bonds in excess of the permanent financing are often required in these deals
- Several ways to address this issue with various bond structures

# FHA Refinancing to Re-syndication (R2R)

### GOALS:

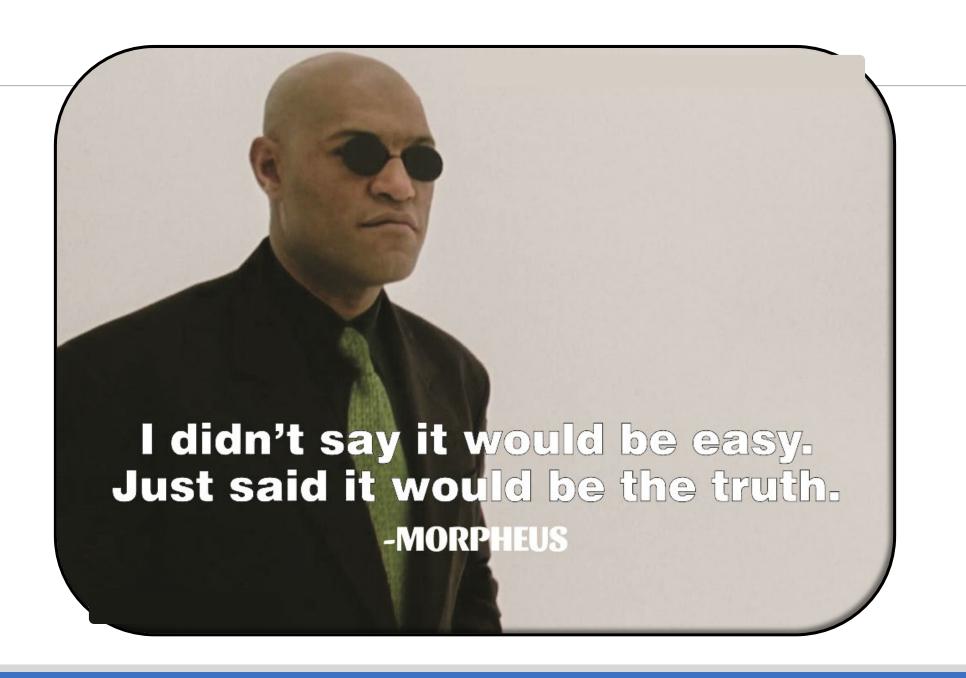
- (1) Lock in today's rates for <u>future</u> tax credit deals and/or
- (2) Qualify for exemption for 10-year hold rule (for acquisition credits)

# FHA Refinancing to Re-syndication (R2R)

 NEW LOAN: FHA 223(f) loan to refinance existing debt or purchase project. Keep rehab to a minimum. (We can structure the note for future prepayment flexibility)

### When ready for Bonds/4% Credits

- Step 1: TPA (transfer of physical asset) process
- Step 2: Supplemental FHA 241(a) loan
- Step 3: Use short term tax exempt bonds to qualify for 4% tax credits



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