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Item 1 - Report to Stockholders

April 30, 2012

Annual Report

BlackRock MuniYield Fund, Inc. (MYD) BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. (MQY) BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. (MQT)

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Dear Shareholder

One year ago at this time, risk assets were in a broad retreat as political strife in Greece ignited fears about sovereign debt problems spreading across Europe and economic indicators signaled that the global recovery had slowed. Confidence was further shaken by the prolonged debt ceiling debate in Washington, DC. Early in August 2011, Standard & Poor s downgraded the US government s credit rating and turmoil erupted in financial markets around the world. Extraordinary levels of volatility persisted in the months that followed as the European debt crisis intensified. Macro news flow became the dominant force in financial markets, driving asset prices up and down in lock step, in a risk on/risk off trading pattern. By the end of the third quarter in 2011, equity markets had fallen nearly 20% from their April peak while safe-haven assets such as US Treasuries and gold had rallied to historic highs.

October 2011 brought enough positive economic data to assuage fears of a global double-dip recession. Additionally, European leaders began making concerted efforts to stem the region s debt crisis. Investors began to reenter the markets, putting risk assets on the road to recovery. Improving sentiment carried over into early 2012 as a number of factors elicited greater optimism. Sovereign debt problems in Europe became less pressing. Greece secured its second bailout package and completed the restructuring of its national debt. The European Central Bank gave financial markets a boost by providing additional liquidity through its long-term refinancing operations. The outlook for the global economy grew less dim as stronger data from the United States, particularly from the labor market, lifted sentiment. Hopes for additional monetary stimulus from the US Federal Reserve and strong corporate earnings pushed risk assets (including stocks, commodities and high yield bonds) higher through the first two months of the year while rising Treasury yields pressured higher-quality fixed income assets. The risk rally softened in late March, however, due to renewed fears about slowing growth in China and Europe s debt troubles. Equity markets staggered downward in April as Spain s financial situation became increasingly severe and elections in Greece and France added to uncertainty about the future of the euro zone. In the United States, disappointing jobs reports in April revealed that the recent acceleration in the labor market had been a short-lived surge. Overall, US economic data signaled that the pace of the recovery had slowed, but not to the extent that warranted additional monetary stimulus.

Thanks in large part to an exceptionally strong first quarter of 2012, equities and high yield bonds posted solid returns for the 6-month period ended April 30, 2012. On a 12-month basis, US large-cap stocks and high yield bonds delivered positive results; however, small-cap stocks finished in negative territory. International and emerging equities, which experienced significant downturns in 2011, lagged the broader rebound. Fixed income securities, including corporate, government and municipal bonds, performed well despite recent yield volatility. US Treasury bonds finished strong, with an April rally erasing the effects of their broad sell-off during February and March. Continued low short-term interest rates kept yields on money market securities near their all-time lows.

Financial markets have regained a significant degree of stability since the period of turmoil we endured last year; however, considerable headwinds remain. Political uncertainty in Europe elevates concerns about additional flare ups in the debt crisis. Higher energy prices and slowing growth in China continue to pose risks for the global economy. Potential political leadership changes around the world create additional layers of uncertainty. But, we believe that with these challenges come opportu-nities. We remain committed to working with you and your financial professional to identify actionable ideas for your portfolio. We encourage you to visit **www.blackrock.com/newworld** for more information.

Sincerely, **Rob Kapito** President, BlackRock Advisors, LLC

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Total Returns as of April 30, 2012

	6-month	12-month
US large cap equities	12.77%	4.76%
$(S\&P 500^{\circ} Index)$		

US small cap equities (Russell 2000 [®] Index)	11.02	(4.25)
International equities	2.44	(12.82)
(MSCI Europe, Australasia,		
Far East Index)		
Emerging market	3.93	(12.61)
equities (MSCI Emerging		
Markets Index)		
3-month Treasury bill	0.01	0.05
(BofA Merrill Lynch		
3-Month Treasury		
Bill Index)		
US Treasury securities	3.83	16.41
(BofA Merrill Lynch 10-		
Year US Treasury Index)		
US investment grade	2.44	7.54
bonds (Barclays US		
Aggregate Bond Index)		
Tax-exempt municipal	5.71	11.90
bonds (S&P Municipal		
Bond Index)		
US high yield bonds	6.91	5.89
(Barclays US Corporate		
High Yield 2% Issuer		
Capped Index)		

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Municipal Market Overview

For the 12-Month Period Ended April 30, 2012

One year ago, the municipal bond market was steadily recovering from a difficult fourth quarter of 2010 that brought severe losses amid a steepening US Treasury yield curve and a flood of inflated headlines about municipal finance troubles. Retail investors had lost confidence in municipals and retreated from the market. Political uncertainty surrounding the midterm elections and tax policies exacerbated the situation. These conditions combined with seasonal illiquidity weakened willful market participation from the trading community. December 2010 brought declining demand with no comparable reduction in supply as issuers rushed their deals to market before the Build America Bond program was retired. This supply-demand imbalance led to wider quality spreads and higher yields for municipal bonds heading into 2011.

Demand is usually strong at the beginning of a new year, but retail investors continued to move away from municipal mutual funds in the first half of 2011. From the middle of November 2010, outflows persisted for 29 consecutive weeks, totaling \$35.1 billion before the trend finally broke in June 2011. However, weak demand was counterbalanced by lower supply in 2011. According to Thomson Reuters, new issuance was down 32% in 2011 as compared to the prior year. While these technical factors were improving, municipalities were struggling to balance their budgets, although the late-2010 predictions for widespread municipal defaults did not materialize. Other concerns that resonated at the beginning of the year, such as rising interest rates, weakening credits and higher rates of inflation, abated as these scenarios also did not come to fruition.

On August 5, 2011, Standard & Poor s (S&P) downgraded the US government s credit rating from AAA to AA+. While this led to the downgrade of approximately 11,000 municipal issues directly tied to the US debt rating, this represented a very small fraction of the municipal market and said nothing about the individual municipal credits themselves. In fact, demand for municipal bonds increased as severe volatility in US equities drove investors to more stable asset classes. The municipal market benefited from an exuberant Treasury market and continued muted new issuance. As supply remained constrained, demand from both traditional and non-traditional buyers was strong, pushing long-term municipal bond yields lower and sparking a curve-flattening trend that continued through year end. Ultimately, 2011 was one of the strongest performance years in municipal market history. The S&P Municipal Bond Index returned 10.62% in 2011, making municipal bonds a top-performing fixed income asset class for the year.

Municipal market supply-and-demand technicals typically strengthen considerably upon the conclusion of tax season as net negative supply takes hold. This theme remained intact for 2012. Overall, the municipal yield curve flattened during the period from April 30, 2011 to April 30, 2012. As measured by Thomson Municipal Market Data, yields declined by 133 basis points (bps) to 3.25% on AAA-rated 30-year municipal bonds and by 98 bps to 1.87% on 10-year bonds, while yields on 5-year issues fell 68 bps to 0.82%. While the entire municipal curve flattened over the 12-month time period, the spread between 2- and 30-year maturities tightened by 108 bps, and in the 2- to 10-year range, the spread tightened by 73 bps.

The fundamental picture for municipalities continues to improve. Austerity has been the general theme across the country, while a small number of states continue to rely on a kick-the-can approach to close their budget shortfalls, with aggressive revenue projections and accounting gimmicks. It has been well over a year since the fiscal problems plaguing state and local governments first became highly publicized. Thus far, the prophecy of widespread defaults across the municipal market has not materialized. Year-to-date through the end of April, less than \$470 million in par value of municipal bonds have defaulted for the first time. This represents only 0.0125% in total municipal bonds outstanding, as compared to 0.065% for the full year 2011. (Data provided by Bank of America.) BlackRock maintains the view that municipal bond defaults will remain in the periphery and the overall market is fundamentally sound. We continue to recognize that careful credit research and security selection remain imperative amid uncertainty in this economic environment.

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Fund Summary as of April 30, 2012

BlackRock MuniYield Fund, Inc.

Fund Overview

BlackRock MuniYield Fund, Inc. s (MYD) (the Fund) investment objective is to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from federal income taxes as is consistent with its investment policies and prudent investment management. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 80% of its assets in municipal bonds exempt from federal income taxes (except that the interest may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax). The Fund invests, under normal market conditions, at least 75% of its assets in municipal bonds rated investment grade and invests primarily in long-term municipal bonds with a maturity of more than ten years at the time of investment. 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

For the 12 months ended April 30, 2012, the Fund returned 26.06% based on market price and 24.76% based on net asset value (NAV). For the same period, the closed-end Lipper General & Insured Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category posted an average return of 25.51% based on market price and 23.04% based on NAV. All returns reflect reinvestment of dividends. The Fund s premium to NAV, which widened during the period, accounts for the difference between performance based on price and performance based on NAV. The following discussion relates to performance based on NAV. The primary factors contributing to positive performance during the period were the Fund s duration positioning (preference for securities with a higher sensitivity to interest rate movements) and yield curve-flattening bias. The Fund has consistently emphasized longer-dated securities in order to benefit from long-term rates declining faster than short-term rates, a scenario that occurred during the period. In addition, sector concentrations in health and transportation proved beneficial, as did the avoidance of pre-refunded and escrowed issues, which underperformed the broader market. The Fund s holdings generated a high distribution yield, which in the aggregate, had a meaningful impact on returns. Detracting from performance was the Fund s long-standing focus on corporate-related debt, which modestly underperformed the market during the period.

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Fund Information

Symbol on New York Stock Exchange (NYSE)	MYD
Initial Offering Date	November 29, 1991
Yield on Closing Market Price as of April 30, 2012 (\$15.49) ¹	6.47%
Tax Equivalent Yield ²	9.95%
Current Monthly Distribution per Common Share ³	\$0.0835
Current Annualized Distribution per Common Share ³	\$1.002
Economic Leverage as of April 30, 2012 ⁴	38%

- ¹ Yield on closing market price is calculated by dividing the current annualized distribution per share by the closing market price. Past performance does not guarantee future results.
- 2 Tax equivalent yield assumes the maximum federal tax rate of 35%.
- ³ The distribution rate is not constant and is subject to change.
- ⁴ Represents Variable Rate Demand Preferred Shares (VRDP Shares) and tender option bond trusts (TOBs) as a percentage of total managed assets, which is the total assets of the Fund, including any assets attributable to VRDP Shares and TOBs, minus the sum of accrued liabilities. For a discussion of leveraging techniques utilized by the Fund, please see The Benefits and Risks of Leveraging on page 8.

The table below summarizes the changes in the Fund s market price and NAV per share:

	4	/30/12	4	/30/11	Change	High	Low
Market Price	\$	15.49	\$	13.17	17.62%	\$ 15.98	\$ 12.73
Net Asset Value	\$	15.19	\$	13.05	16.40%	\$ 15.20	\$ 13.05
The following charts show the sector and credit quality allocations of th	e Fui	nd s long	-term	investmer	nts:		

Sector Allocations

	4/30/12	4/30/11
Health	22%	23%
Transportation	19	15
State	14	13
Utilities	11	10
Corporate	11	15
Education	11	9
County/City/Special District/School District	9	9
Tobacco	2	1
Housing	1	5

Credit Quality Allocations⁵

	4/30/12	4/30/11
AAA/Aaa	9%	13%
AA/Aa	40	36
А	27	22
BBB/Baa	10	12
BB/Ba	2	2
В	3	3
CCC/Caa	1	2
CC/Ca		1
Not Rated ⁶	8	9

- ⁵ Using the higher of Standard and Poor s (S&P s) or Moody s Investor Service (Moody s) ratings.
- ⁶ The investment advisor has deemed certain of these non-rated securities to be of investment grade quality. As of April 30, 2012 and April 30, 2011, the market value of these securities was \$3,159,009 and \$3,786,237, each representing less than 1%, respectively, of the Fund s long-term investments.

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Fund Summary as of April 30, 2012

BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc.

Fund Overview

BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund, Inc. s (MQY) (the Fund) investment objective is to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from federal income taxes as is consistent with its investment policies and prudent investment management. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 80% of its assets in municipal bonds exempt from federal income taxes (except that the interest may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax). The Fund invests in municipal bonds which are in the three highest quality rating categories (A or better) or, if unrated, of comparable quality at the time of investment. The Fund invests primarily in long-term municipal bonds with maturities of more than ten years at the time of investment. 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

For the 12 months ended April 30, 2012, the Fund returned 29.85% based on market price and 25.78% based on NAV. For the same period, the closed-end Lipper General & Insured Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category posted an average return of 25.51% based on market price and 23.04% based on NAV. All returns reflect reinvestment of dividends. 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. The following discussion relates to performance based on NAV. The largest drivers of Fund performance during the period were the decline in interest rates (bond prices rise when interest rates fall), the flattening of the yield curve (long-term interest rates fell more than short and intermediate rates) and tightening of credit spreads. The Fund s exposure to zero-coupon bonds and the health sector contributed positively to performance as these bonds derived the greatest benefit from the declining interest rates and spread tightening during the period.

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Fund Information

Symbol on NYSE	MQY
Initial Offering Date	June 26, 1992
Yield on Closing Market Price as of April 30, 2012 (\$16.05) ¹	5.98%
Tax Equivalent Yield ²	9.20%
Current Monthly Distribution per Common Share ³	\$0.080
Current Annualized Distribution per Common Share ³	\$0.960
Economic Leverage as of April 30, 2012 ⁴	37%

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The table below summarizes the changes in the Fund s market price and NAV per share:

	4	/30/12	4	/30/11	Change	High	Low
Market Price	\$	16.05	\$	13.15	22.05%	\$ 16.88	\$ 12.76
Net Asset Value	\$	16.22	\$	13.72	18.22%	\$ 16.28	\$ 13.72
The following charts show the sector and credit quality allocations of the	e Fui	nd s long	-term	investmer	its:		

Sector Allocations

	4/30/12	4/30/11
County/City/Special District/School District	24%	25%
State	19	15
Transportation	18	22
Utilities	16	17
Health	11	9
Education	6	4
Housing	4	3
Corporate	2	3
Tobacco		2

Credit Quality Allocations⁵

	4/30/12	4/30/11
AAA/Aaa	11%	12%
AA/Aa	64	59
A	20	23
BBB/Baa	5	6

⁵ Using the higher of S&P s or Moody s ratings.

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Fund Summary as of April 30, 2012

BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc.

Fund Overview

BlackRock MuniYield Quality Fund II, Inc. s (MQT) (the Fund) investment objective is to provide shareholders with as high a level of current income exempt from federal income taxes as is consistent with its investment policies and prudent investment management. The Fund seeks to achieve its investment objective by investing at least 80% of its assets in municipal bonds exempt from federal income taxes (except that the interest may be subject to the federal alternative minimum tax). The Fund invests in municipal bonds which are in the three highest quality rating categories (A or better) or, if unrated, of comparable quality at the time of investment. The Fund invests primarily in long-term municipal bonds with maturities of more than ten years at the time of investment. 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

For the 12 months ended April 30, 2012, the Fund returned 28.04% based on market price and 26.85% based on NAV. For the same period, the closed-end Lipper General & Insured Municipal Debt Funds (Leveraged) category posted an average return of 25.51% based on market price and 23.04% based on NAV. All returns reflect reinvestment of dividends. 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. The following discussion relates to performance based on NAV. The largest drivers of Fund performance during the period were the decline in interest rates (bond prices rise when interest rates fall), the flattening of the yield curve (long-term interest rates fell more than short and intermediate rates) and tightening of credit spreads. The Fund s exposure to zero-coupon bonds and the health sector contributed positively to performance as these bonds derived the greatest benefit from the declining interest rates and spread tightening during the period.

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Fund Information

Symbol on NYSE	MQT
Initial Offering Date	August 28, 1992
Yield on Closing Market Price as of April 30, 2012 (\$13.93) ¹	5.99%
Tax Equivalent Yield ²	9.22%
Current Monthly Distribution per Common Share ³	\$0.0695
Current Annualized Distribution per Common Share ³	\$0.8340
Economic Leverage as of April 30, 2012 ⁴	37%

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The table below summarizes the changes in the Fund s market price and NAV per share:

	4	/30/12	4	/30/11	Change	High	Low
Market Price	\$	13.93	\$	11.59	20.19%	\$ 14.59	\$ 11.05
Net Asset Value	\$	14.11	\$	11.85	19.07%	\$ 14.15	\$ 11.85
The following charts show the sector and credit quality allocations of	the Fu	nd slong	-term	n investme	nts		

The following charts show the sector and credit quality allocations of the Fund s long-term investments:

Sector Allocations

	4/30/12	4/30/11
County/City/Special District/School District	28%	29%
Transportation	20	22
State	18	17
Utilities	11	13
Health	10	8
Housing	6	7
Education	6	3
Corporate	1	1

Credit Quality Allocations⁵

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