

Built-for-Government Performance Budgeting

“The concept on which Performance Budgeting is based and developed is how most governments prepare their budgets, such as stages and rankings. It is designed to support the governmental budgeting process. Since all of the parts of the budget process are in one solution, we don’t have to reconcile between multiple applications.”

Chris Simonson,
Controller,
Olmsted County, MN

ALIGN STRATEGY AND RESOURCES, ACHIEVE MEASURABLE RESULTS

Increased scrutiny into the true cost of government services is putting greater demands on state and local organizations to produce measurable efficiencies. This requires shifting attention away from detailed items of expense—for example, dollar amounts, salaries and travel—to the allocation of resources based on organizational goals and key performance measures.

Yet state and local governments struggle with ERP solutions that are missing the link between objectives and results, forcing organizations to guess how well they are achieving their goals and how much to invest in future strategy. What governments need is a solution that mirrors the business of government, producing day-to-day efficiencies that can be easily captured for analysis reporting and monitoring.

CGI is committed to these needs with a powerful combination of modern technology and comprehensive, integrated, configurable business applications. With our built-for-government AMS Advantage® Performance Budgeting solution, our clients are targeting areas for improvement and measuring the results. Architected upon open standards, n-tiered and service oriented architecture (SOA) our web-based technology is helping our clients keep pace with change.

Beyond basic budgeting

AMS Advantage Performance Budgeting helps state and local governments make improved funding choices based on program results by easily presenting performance information alongside budget amounts. And with online forms, automated workflows and approvals, part of these choices include streamlining the budgeting process.

- Strengthen the linkage between strategic planning and objectives
- Realize immediate access to performance indicators for better decision making
- Improve communication and collaboration
- Reduce costs through more efficient day-to-day operations
- Easily develop budget documents
- Rapidly produce high-quality, camera-ready budget publication documents
- Create performance metrics for non-financial metrics
- Access up-to-date commitment of departmental budgetary funds for real-time update of in-transit or pending approval
- Produce budget document, including last-minute changes
- Automate budget preparation
- Build and deploy personalized dashboards and scorecards

Built-for-government solution for effective results

By combining built-for-government functionality with web-based technology, AMS Advantage ERP enables government efficiency. Drawing upon best practices and our government experience, we deliver a web-based performance budgeting solution that allows clients to improve efficiency, accountability and access to information while reducing total cost of ownership.

Software

- Provides for operating, capital, and grants budgeting in one solution
- Appropriations and allocations
- Carry-over and lapsed budgets
- Tracks all budget form entries, revisions and deletions with an audit trail of changes
- User-friendly, spreadsheet-like user orientation and flexible web-based budget forms
- Multidimensional capabilities for users to analyze, consolidate, report and view data
- Budget stage/phase management capabilities for budget formulation
- Modeling, allocation and projection using fully featured, simple modeling language
- Workflow functionality in the budget request process
- Email notification and electronic signatures
- Import budget data into the system directly from Excel
- Pop-Up Calculator
- SBFS Projection Scenarios
- COLA and Merit Increase Detail
- Preload personnel related costs into online budgets
- Generates position and employee listings
- Forecasted salary and benefit projections integrated into the budget without re-keying
- Effective dating
- Multi-incumbency position and employee relationships, including vacancies
- Positions can be allocated to an unlimited number of additional organizations

Results

Increase efficiency

- Reduce redundant data entry
- Automate routing and approval process
- Automate budget preparation
- Functional users control administration
- Easily track budget request changes
- Reduce data entry for division heads
- Future projections take into account cost changes and step increases
- Positions have future class changes reflected in the projection

Improve reporting

- Immediate access to performance
- Up-to-date commitment of budgets
- Project salary savings from vacant positions
- Detailed forecasts of salaries and benefits between a user-defined start and end date
- Project salary savings from vacant positions
- Perform sensitivity analyses to salary table changes, pension structures, health benefit costs, other union negotiated items
- Dollars forecasted for positions are allocated across appropriate budget lines
- Support the creation of unlimited "what-if" scenarios when running salary projections
- Track, record salary changes during a Salary and Benefits projection

Reduce customization

- Built-for-government functionality
- Configurable user interface
- Rules-based workflow, approvals
- Ad hoc reporting at the user desktop
- Baseline client enhancements

CORPORATE PROFILE

At CGI, we're in the business of satisfying clients. For 30 years, we've operated upon the principles of sharing in clients' challenges and delivering quality services to solve them. A leading IT and business process services provider, CGI has approximately 25,000 professionals operating in 100+ worldwide offices.

Through our leading ERP solution, AMS Advantage, CGI has helped 190+ state and local organizations better serve 90+ million citizens. Designed exclusively to support the business of government, CGI's AMS Advantage solution allows clients to improve operational efficiencies, constituent services and performance—all while reducing costs.

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