

Review of Budgeting For Outcomes



Budgeting for Outcomes in New Orleans

A GFOA Recommended Practice

Task #1



Determine how much money is available

- Use all revenue sources
- Focus on revenue first, not costs
- Revenue estimate sets amount available for purchasing results (initial estimate based on 2013)

Task #2



Prioritize the results

- No more than ten results
- 2 3 outcome measures for each result
- Measures can be used as a community scorecard





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Task #3



Allocate resources among high priority results

 Allocations/priorities done by asking "what is it worth to citizens to achieve this result?"

Task #4



Conduct analyses to determine what strategies, programs and activities will best achieve desired results

- What do we know works?
- Best practices
- Research
- Past experience
- Innovations



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Task #5

Budget available dollars to the most significant programs and activities

The ranking process:

- Using the analysis, teams rank all the offers they receive
- They then take the money allocated to the result and begin buying offers
- When they run out of money, they draw a line
- Everything above the line is funded; everything below is not

"Can't afford it. It's currently 'below the line."





Process Overview Budgeting for Outcomes in New Orleans

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Set measures of annual progress, monitor and close the feedback loop

Check what actually happened





What's in an Offer?

- Offer title
- Result Area
- Result
- Strategy
- Core, Supplemental or New Funding
- Description of Offer
- Return on Investment
- Performance Data
- Detailed breakdown of Personnel and Other Operating by org. code
- Attached supplementary information contracts, performance data, etc.



What Makes a Good Offer?

- Does it focus on achieving a result identified in the Result Maps?
- Does it address a strategy identified in the Result Maps?
- Does it identify all funding sources?
- Is there a good process-level performance measure?
- Does it improve an End Outcome Measure?
- Does it encourage collaboration?
- Does it leverage non-General Fund dollars?
- Is it efficient and cost effective?
- Is it proven effective (research- or evidence-based or national standards)?
- Is it innovative?

Emphasis on efficiency, cost-effectiveness, excellence Page 6



Budgeting for Outcomes Process

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Determine How Much Money is Available

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Establish Prioritized Results

April

Allocate Revenues to Results

June

Departments Submit Budget Offers

July

Results Teams Rank Offers

Sept

Development of the Budget

Oct

Submission of Budget to Council





Key Dates

- May 30: Budgeting process begins
- May 30 June 19: Departments Develop Preliminary Offers
- June 19: Preliminary Offers Due to Result Teams
- July3 July 17: Departments Revise Offers Based on Result Team Feedback
- July 17: Final Budget Offers Due to Result Teams
- July 17: Budget System Closes
- Week of July 22: Results Teams Rank Final Offers
- August: CAO Budget Hearings by Result Team
- October 15: Budget Presented to Council





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Questions?



