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City of Chicago

Office of Budget Management

Oracle Hyperion Public Sector Planning and Budgeting (PSPB)

AT A GLANCE

Use Cases	Challenges	Solution	Results
Rollout public sector multidimensional position and employee budgeting	**Dated budgeting** tool and siloed budgeting processes	**Oracle's Hyperion PSPB** (Public Sector Planning & Budgeting)	**100% elimination** of all manual activities for decentralized budget processes
Design and build revenue, grants, and full non-personnel budgeting solutions	**Decentralized data** across departments	**Integration of information** from legacy Finance and HR systems to centralize metadata and budget data	**Annual budgets** based on previous year budget, actuals and various compliance regulatory assumptions
Design and build full budget reporting and budget book publication process	**Inconsistent data management** practices across departments	**Customized analysis forms** that improve data accuracy and completeness at both granular and summary levels	**Minimized** offline spreadsheets and one-off processes
Automate process for metadata loading and management from Oracle EBS (e.g. FMPS, CHIPPS)	**Time-consuming,** labor intensive and manual processes		**Reduced time** spent on budget result reports and **improved** analysis capability
	Users with limited exposure to multidimensional database		

INTRODUCTION

The City of Chicago has over 35,000 employees and 45 major departments, with an annual budget exceeding $8.5 billion. The Office of Budget and Management (OBM) is responsible for preparing and implementing a balanced annual budget for the City. In addition, OBM evaluates the efficiency of all the City's operations and drives management reforms when needed. For more information, visit the OBM website.

CHALLENGES

The City previously employed a legacy budgeting system that had been developed in-house. This system was nearly 20 years old and built on a platform no longer supported by Oracle (Oracle Forms 6), and routine system upgrades increasingly threatened system performance. Furthermore, several new tools had been developed that could enhance the City's budgeting processes (i.e. data validation and improved ad hoc analysis). As a result, the City requested an Oracle-supported solution that could more easily integrate with current and add-on technologies in the marketplace.

WHY ORACLE HYPERION PSBS?

The City requested an Oracle budgeting solution that could integrate with the following city systems:

- *Oracle E-Business Suite Financial Application Modules*
- *Oracle E-Business Suite Human Resources module*
- *Oracle E-Business Suite Grants Accounting module*
- *Oracle E-Business Suite Advanced Procurement modules*

IMPLEMENTATION & DEPLOYMENT

Clarity Partners leveraged our proven, flexible implementation methodology. We established the parameters for how the project would be conducted and managed. From requirements gathering to design, we identified and prioritized business and technical requirements for packaging into deliverables. We developed a prototype that users could test and incorporated feedback into issue resolution.

In addition to implementation, we provided both admin and end user training.

BENEFITS

- Developed grant budget to enable the City to more accurately measure time and attendance entries, yielding efficient grant spending

- Provided more transparency into publicly consumed reporting

- Created automated process for personnel cost allocation to multiple funding sources

- Laid foundation to provide transparency on carryover balances

- Modernized technology platform to enable ad hoc analysis, data integration and enhanced end user experience

- Designed standardized hierarchical framework to improve reporting and analysis

- Substantially reduced data cleansing by automating data and metadata integration

WHAT'S NEXT

Provide the City with application support

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