



# Creating a Baseline Budget



## **PROJECT BASELINE BUDGET RECORDS**

Specify the budget amount that is initially earmarked for a project. This value is measured in the currency that the overall capital project cost uses. You can define the overall cost of a project by associating various cost code records.

For instance, a sum of \$1,000,000 is defined as the capital outlay for a project. This amount is broken into various components because of the requirements of the project. For example, \$25,000 might be expended for buying the raw materials and \$50,000 for the labor services that are involved. These expenses can be specified under cost codes that are created for this purpose. With this breakdown, you can manage the stipulated amount that is defined for the project.

**This action only needs to be entered once, at the beginning of the project.** You can update the Baseline Budget if necessary, throughout the project, but only if the funding amount increases to an amount higher than the initial Baseline Budget.



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## GETTING STARTED

- ❖ To begin, access the **Facilities Connect Home Screen**
- ❖ In order to review **Project Financials** as outlined in this job guide, the project **must:**
  - a. Be an existing project, already created in Facilities Connect.
  - b. Have its Project Category selected as **Capitalized** and include a capital chartstring.

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Project Name	Project Status	Substantial Completion	Anticipated Financial End	Project Manager
Morton CREPS Feeder FY24	Active	05/31/2024	05/31/2024	Block,Dan
SQBRC Tower Design Study ...	Active	08/31/2028	08/31/2028	Baehr,Jay F
Tarry 9 Lab AHU Replaceme...	Active	04/30/2024	04/30/2024	Block,Dan
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## PROCESS

Locate your desired project, contained within the **'My Projects' Phase** portlets (center of **Facilities Connect Home Screen**)

1) Click on the **Project Name** to open project details.

<<Upon clicking, the **Capital Project Record** will open as a new window displaying project details>>

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2) Click **Revise** to make changes to the Project Record

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Capital Project: 1002000-Morton CREPS Feeder FY24 Add To Bookmarks Print

General Scope Schedule Budget Procurement Contacts Notes & Documents 2 Complete **Revise**

(Required): Create a Project by entering general information about the project.

**General**

ID 1002000 Status Active

\* Date 09/21/2023

\* Name Morton CREPS Feeder FY24

\* Project Reporting Name Morton CREPS Feeder FY24

**Details**

Project Type Repair/Restoration Project Classification Systems Replacement

\* Project Status Active Project Phase 2.0 Design

Laser Fiche <https://fmlaserfiche01.ads.northwestern.edu/laserfiche/Browse.aspx?repo=NUFM#?id=110338>

\* Project Category Capitalized \* Chartstring 812-1800100-80066377-01

Accounting Cost Center 812-1800100-80066377-01 Project Cost/SqFt (Budget Current / Project Gross Construction Area) \$ .00 US Dollars

**Units**

**Environmental**

**Primary Customer Contact**

Client Lookup

Address

Zip/Postal Code

City

State/Province Country

Email Phone

Department Job Title

**Primary Location**

\* Location Path \Locations\Chicago Campus\Morton Medical Research

Campus Chicago Campus Floor

Building Morton Medical Research

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To access and view project financial information,

3) Select the **Budget** tab.

Capital Project: 1002000-Morton CREPS Feeder FY24

General Scope **3** **Budget** Procurement Contacts Notes & Documents

(Optional): Provide general information concerning the project schedule, project tasks and assumptions.

Summary Import From MS Project Export To MS Project

★ Plan Start  25 ✕

★ Substantial Completion  25 ✕

★ Anticipated Financial End  25 ✕

Actual Start  25 ✕

Actual End  25 ✕

Calculated Start

Calculated End

★ Time Zone  ✕

★ Calculate Project From

Project Tasks Gantt

Project Tasks Critical Path Tasks Task Hierarchy Dependencies

Project Tasks Refresh Add Find Remove Baseline

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<input type="checkbox"/>	#	Type	ID	Task Name	Planned Start	Planned End	Percent Complete	Actual Cost	\$
<input type="checkbox"/>		Contains	Contains	Contains	Equals	Equals	More Than or Equa		
<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Schedule Task	118057593	Phase 0.0 Initial Request	09/21/2023 11:42:18	10/09/2023 11:42:18	0 percent	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Schedule Task	118057594	Phase 1.0 Feasibility & Pre-D...	10/09/2023 11:42:18	11/27/2023 11:42:17	0 percent	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Schedule Task	118057595	Phase 1.1 Feasibility	10/09/2023 11:42:18	10/23/2023 11:42:18	0 percent	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Schedule Task	118057597	Phase 1.2 Planning/Pre-Desi...	10/23/2023 11:42:18	11/12/2023 11:42:18	0 percent	\$	0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	0	Schedule Task	118057598	Phase 6.2 FM Closeout	04/30/2024 11:42:16	05/15/2024 11:42:16	0 percent	\$	0.00

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### 4) Funding and Budget Grouping

- **Original Funding** is the original budgeted amount for the project, established during the creation of the project's capital chartstring.
- **Funding Changes** represents the net change to project budget (i.e. sum of budget increases and decreases) following the creation of the original project budget.
- **Current Funding** (a+b) is the project's current budget; it represents the sum of the Original Budget and Budget Changes line items.
- **Baseline Budget** represents the amount project leadership thinks the project is going to be, so that performance can be based on that actual thought rather than the initial amount that was funded.
- **Baseline Delta (c-Baseline Budget)** represents the delta of the Current Funding and Baseline Budget.

### 5) Incurred Grouping

- **Invoices Paid** represents the sum of all vendor invoice payments that have been released for the project.
- **Journal/Job Cost** represents the sum of all NU Facilities internal costs (e.g. shop time, PM Fees, etc.) billed to the project.
- **Total Incurred** (e+g) represents the combined total of internal and external costs that has been spent on the project.

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Capital Project: 1002000-Mo Y24

General Scope Sched Budget Payment Contacts Notes & Documents

(Optional): Summary of the budget and commitments for the project.

Summary

**FUNDING & BUDGET**

a. Original Funding	\$450,000.00	US Dollars
b. Funding Changes	\$ .00	US Dollars
c. Current Funding (a+b)	\$450,000.00	US Dollars
Baseline Budget	\$ .00	US Dollars
Budget Delta	\$ .00	US Dollars

**COMMITMENTS**

d. Commitments	\$23,200.00	US Dollars
e. Invoices Paid	\$ .00	US Dollars

**INCURRED**

e. Invoices Paid	\$ .00	US Dollars
g. Journals/Job Cost	\$ .00	US Dollars
h. Total Incurred (e+g)	\$ .00	US Dollars

Last Update: 11/16/2018  
Updated By:

Job Cost Billing: PM Markup 5.00%

Current Budget Balance

Account	Account Description	c. Current Budget	f. Encumbrance Balance	h. Total Incurred	j. Uncommitted Budget
75533	Art Installation Services	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00
75610	Internal - FMO Services	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00
75750	Contractor Services	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00
75780	Self Insurance Claims Paym...	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00
75800	Surveys, Borings, Testing	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00	\$ .00



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The **Project Budget** section provides a record of project budget updates; this includes the creation of the original project budget as well as budget changes and Baseline Budget. Each update includes the date entered.

6) Click on **Add** to initiate the creation of the Baseline Budget.

7) Select **Baseline Budget** from the dropdown.

<<Upon clicking, **Baseline Budget** details will open in a new window>>

Capital Project: 1002000-Morton CREPS Feeder FY24

General Scope Schedule **Budget** Procurement Contacts Notes & Documents

	Amount	Amount	Amount	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> 75010	Professional Svcs-Remittals...	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 75120	Internal-Printing&Duplicating	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 75130	External-Printing Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 75140	Internal-Univ Relations Svcs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
		<b>\$450,000.00</b>	<b>\$23,200.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

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**Cost Overview**

Project Budget

ID	Type	Date	Name	Amount
1001626	Project Original Bu...	09/21/2023	812-1800100-80066377-01	\$450,000.00

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Baseline Budget

Project Budget Forecast

Project Original Budget

X

Activate Save Save & Close More x

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## PROCESS

To create a new **Baseline Budget**,

- 8) In the General section, apply a **Name** to the new Baseline Budget.
- 9) Next, click on **Pull From Funding** to see chartstring items for this project.

<<Upon clicking line items will appear in the **Items** section. This may take 30-60 seconds to load. >>

## INFORMATION

Items are pulled from NUFinancial based on the Account Codes associated with the Project Chartstring.

**Baseline Budget:** Add To Bookmarks Print Help

General Spend Plan Notifications Notes & Documents Audit Actions Create Draft x

(Required): Create an Baseline Budget by selecting budget codes and entering the desired amounts. This process can be done through several Baseline Budget documents to facilitate documentation and tracking. Select the Notifications tab to enter approval and distribution information for this document.

**General**

ID  Revision 0 Status

8 Date 08/01/2024

★ Name

Currency US Dollars

**Items** Find Remove **9 Pull from Funding**

Related Reports   Items - Editable

<input type="checkbox"/>	Account Code	Name	Funded Amount	Budgeted Amount
No data to display				
				.00

Total Budget Cost 5.00 US Dollars

**Recorded By**

Name

Create Draft x



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## PROCESS

To create a new **Baseline Budget (cont.)**,

10) Fill in the **Budgeted Amounts** for each chartstring based on the new Baseline Budget numbers.

11) Click the **Create Draft** button.

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Item Cost has been changed to Budgeted Amounts.

Baseline Budget: Add Bookmarks Print Help

General Spend Plan Notifications Notes & Documents Audit Actions

(Required): Create an Baseline Budget by selecting budget codes and entering the desired amounts. This process can be done through several Baseline Budget documents to facilitate documentation and tracking. Select the Notifications tab to enter approval and distribution information for this document.

**General**

ID  Revision 0 Status

★ Date 08/01/2024

★ Name Baseline Budget

Currency US Dollars

**Items** Find Remove Pull from Funding

Related Reports  Items - Editable 10

82 total found

<input type="checkbox"/>	Account Code	Name	Funded Amount	Budgeted Amount
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contains	Contains	More Than	More Than
<input type="checkbox"/>	77050	AV Equip-Non Capital		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75470	AV Equipment Rental		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	77545	AV Equipment-Capital		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75824	Architect & Engineering Fees		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75805	Architect and Engineer Fees & Reimbursable	\$35,000	<input type="text"/> \$35,000.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75533	Art Installation Services		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	77077	Athletic Equipment - Non Capit		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	73310	Av Equipment Supplies		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	73910	Books		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75843	Capital Equipment		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75802	Clearing Site & Relocation		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	75520	Common Carrier		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	73075	Computer Supplies		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	77030	Computers-Non Capital		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars
<input type="checkbox"/>	77090	Computers-Non Capital		<input type="text"/> \$0.00 US Dollars

Total Budget Cost \$5.00 US Dollars

**Recorded By**

Name Block, Dan

## PROCESS

To enable the **Spend Plan**, or cashflow plan, for this Baseline Budget:

12) On the project Baseline Budget record, click on the **Spend Plan** tab.

13) Select a Spend Plan **Template** that is appropriate for this project.

- Upon selecting, the **Percent of duration** and **Growth factor** will populate. However, you can adjust the amounts as needed.

14) Click **Calculate**

<<Upon clicking, the **Spend Plan Breakdown** and **Spend Plan Cumulative** graphs will populate. >>

Baseline Budget: 1000024-0-Baseline Budget

12 Spend Plan Notifications Notes & Documents Audit Actions

(Optional): To create a spend plan (planned value curve): 1. Select a spend plan template or populate the halfway point and growth factor manually, 2. Calculate.

**Spend Plan Details**

Percent of duration when half the budget will be spent (0-100) 50 13

Growth factor (greater than 0) 1.5

14 Calculate

**Spend Plan Template**

**Spend Plan Breakdown**

This chart has no data.

**Spend Plan Cumulative**

This chart has no data.



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To enable the **Spend Plan** for this Baseline Budget (cont.):

- 15) The **Spend Plan Breakdown** graph shows the percentage of the budget spent by date.
- 16) The **Spend Plan Cumulative** graph shows the amount of the budget spent by date.
- 17) Click the **Issue** button to create the Baseline Budget.

<<Upon clicking, the **Baseline Budget** record will close.>>

## IMPORTANT

Only one baseline can be Issued at a time. If a new Baseline Budget is created, the previous record will be automatically retired.

Baseline Budget: 1000024-0-Baseline Budget

General Spend Plan Notifications Notes & Documents Audit Actions

(Optional): To create a spend plan (planned value curve): 1. Select a spend plan template or populate the halfway point and growth factor manually, 2. Calculate.

**Spend Plan Details**

Percent of duration when half the budget will be spent (0-100)

Growth factor (greater than 0)

Calculate

**Spend Plan Template**

**Spend Plan Breakdown**

Planned Value - Per Period

Period	Planned Value
10/2023	0
11/2023	10,000
12/2023	25,000
1/2024	80,000
2/2024	172,818
3/2024	130,000
4/2024	60,000
5/2024	20,000
6/2024	5,000
7/2024	2,000

**Spend Plan Cumulative**

Planned Value - Period Cumulative

Period	Cumulative Value
10/2023	0
11/2023	10,000
12/2023	35,000
1/2024	115,000
2/2024	287,818
3/2024	417,818
4/2024	477,818
5/2024	497,818
6/2024	502,818
7/2024	504,818

**Issue** Save Save & Close More x



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## PROCESS

Once back on the **Budget** tab,

18) Click on the **Save** button to update the record view.

19) You will then see the **Baseline Budget** reflected in the **Funding & Budget** section.

20) The Baseline Budget will also appear as **Issued** under the **Project Budget** section.

## IMPORTANT

Only one baseline can be Issued at a time. If a new Baseline Budget is created, the previous record will be automatically retired.

Capital Project: 1002000-Morton CREPS Feeder FY24

General Scope Schedule **Budget** Procurement Contacts Notes & Documents

Activate Calculate **Save** Close More

(Optional): Summary of the budget and commitments for the project.

**Summary**

Budget Code Structure 812-1800100-80066377-01

FUNDING & BUDGET			COMMITMENTS		
a. Original Funding	\$450,000.00	US Dollars	d. Commitments	\$23,200.00	US Dollars
b. Funding Changes	\$5.00	US Dollars	e. Invoices Paid	\$5.00	US Dollars
c. Current Funding (a+b)	\$450,000.00	US Dollars	f. Encumbrance Balance (d-e)	\$23,200.00	US Dollars
19 Baseline Budget	\$512,000.00	US Dollars	<b>INCURRED</b>		
			e. Invoices Paid	\$5.00	US Dollars
			g. Journals/Job Cost	\$5.00	US Dollars
			h. Total Incurred (e+g)	\$5.00	US Dollars

**Project Budget**

Apply Filters Clear Filters

ID	Type	Date	Name	Amount	Status
1000023	Baseline Budget	08/01/2024	Baseline Budget	\$512,000.00	Issued
1001026	Project Original Bu...	09/21/2023	812-1800100-80066377-01	\$450,000.00	Issued

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## PROCESS

Once all updates have been made to the **Project Record**,

21) Click on **Activate** to bring the record back to the Active status and incorporate all changes.

<<Upon clicking, the **Project Record** window will close.>>

Capital Project: 1002000-Morton CREPS Feeder FY24

21 **Activate** Calculate Save Save & Close More

General Scope Schedule **Budget** Procurement Contacts Notes & Documents

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Budget Delta	\$-62,000.00	US Dollars	INCURRED		
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Activate Calculate Save Save & Close More x

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