PROJECT MANAGEMENT



# 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.

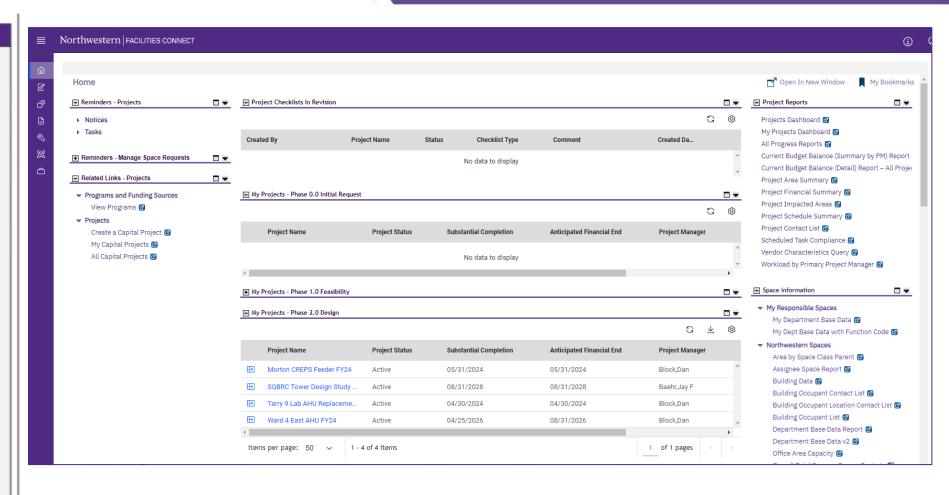
For instance, a sum of \$1,000,000 is defined as the capital outlay for a project. This amount is broken into various components because of the requirements of the project. For example, \$25,000 might be expended for buying the raw materials and \$50,000 for the labor services that are involved. These 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.



### ▼ 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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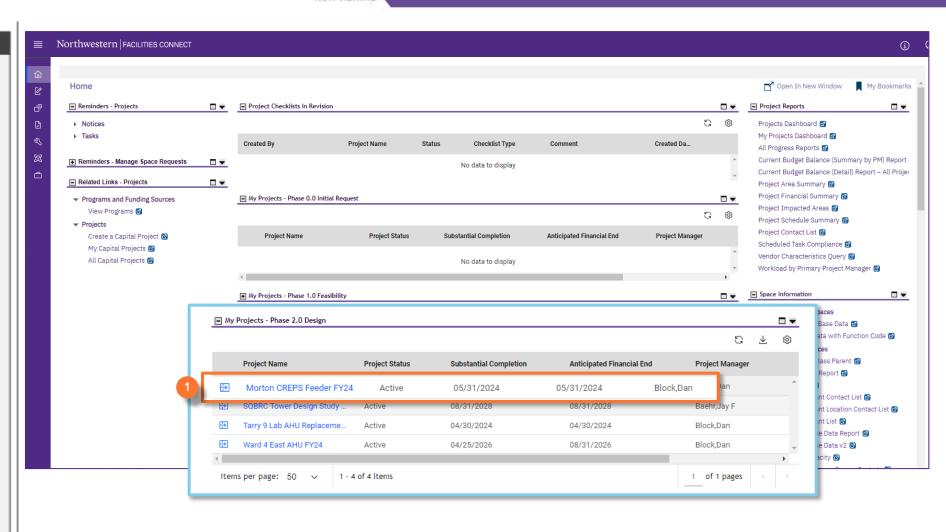


### V PROCESS

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

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

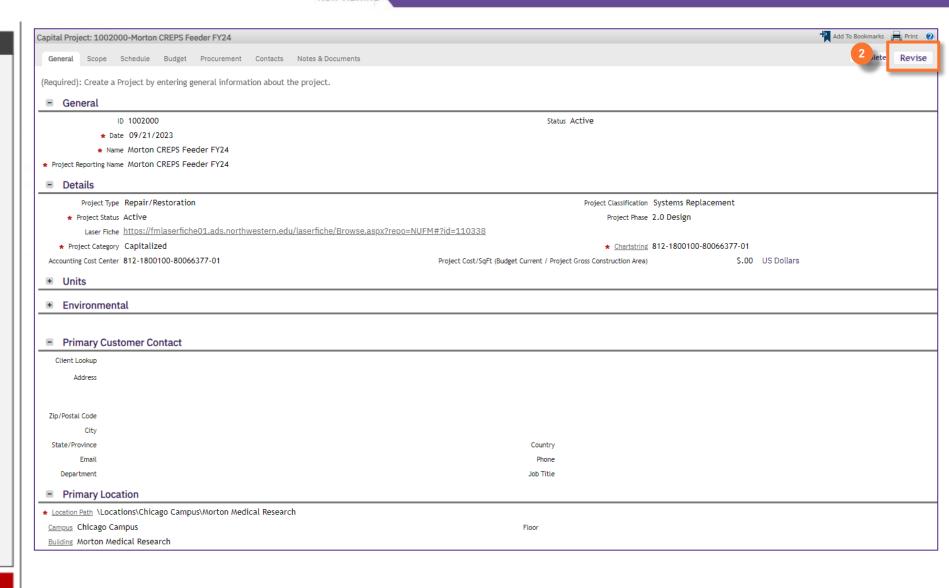
<<Upon clicking, the Capital Project Record will open as a new window displaying project details>>





### ▼ PROCESS

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



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Remove Baseline

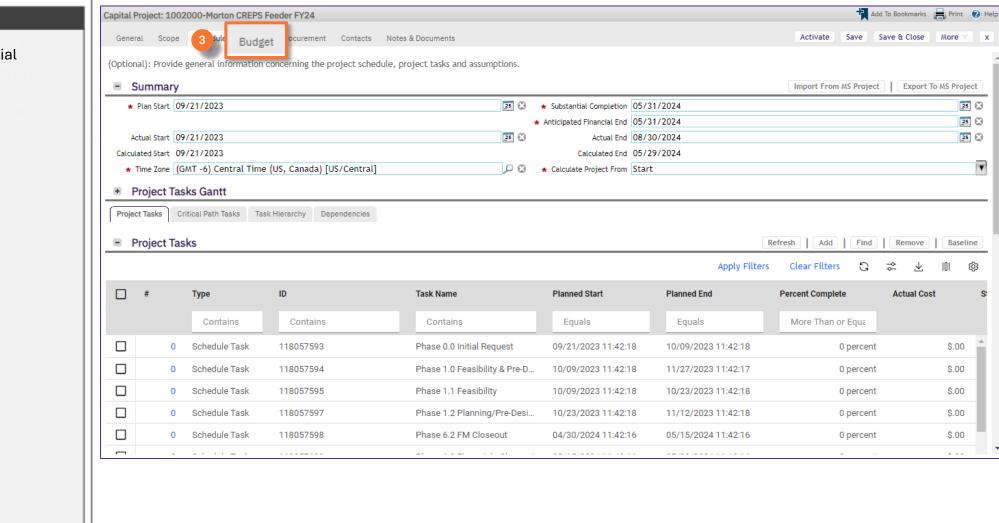
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### **NOW VIEWING**

## PROCESS To access and view project financial information, 3) Select the Budget tab.





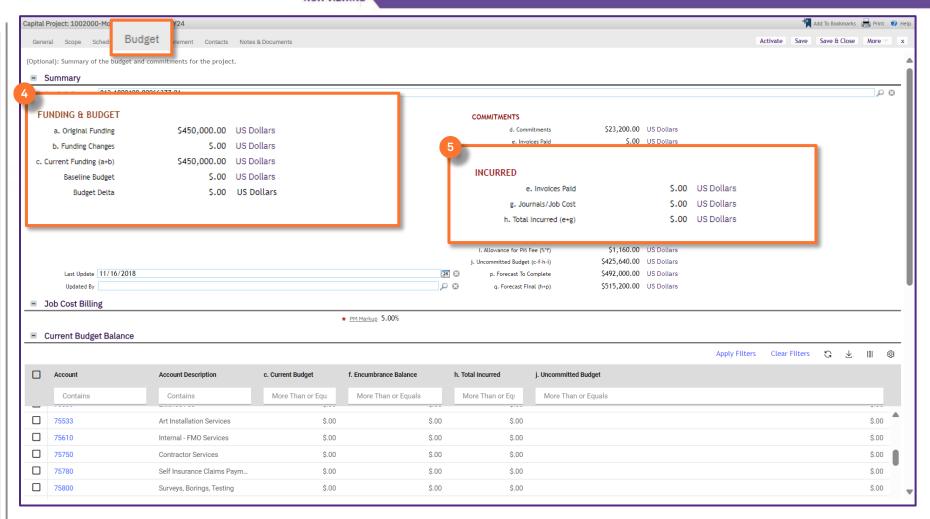
### V PROCESS

### 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.

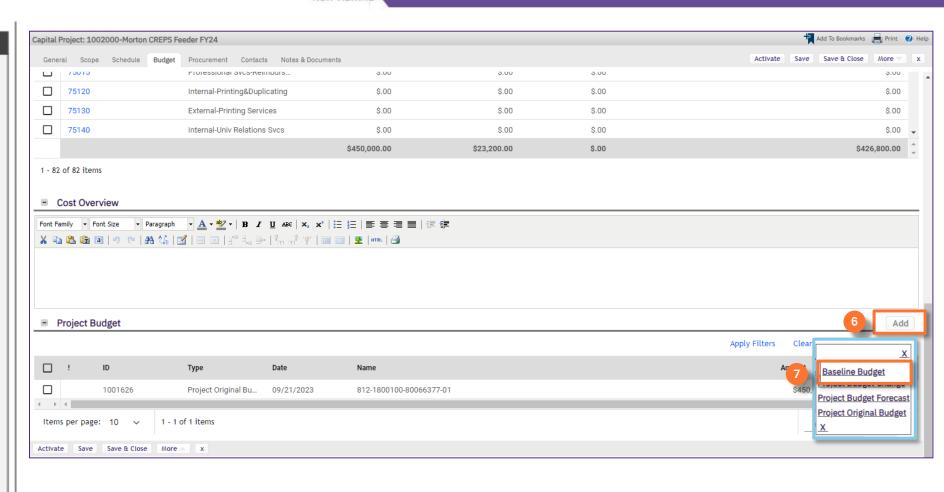




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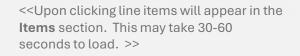
The **Project Budget** section provides a record of project budget updates; this includes the creation of the original project budget as well as budget changes and Baseline Budget. Each update includes the date entered.

- 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>>



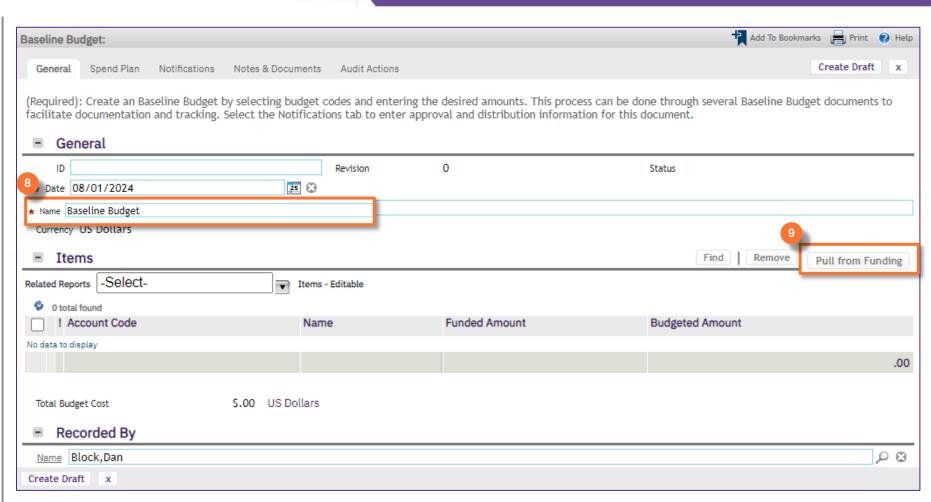


# To create a new Baseline Budget, 8) In the General section, apply a Name to the new Baseline Budget. 9) Next, click on Pull From Funding to see chartstring items for this project.



### **▼** INFORMATION

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





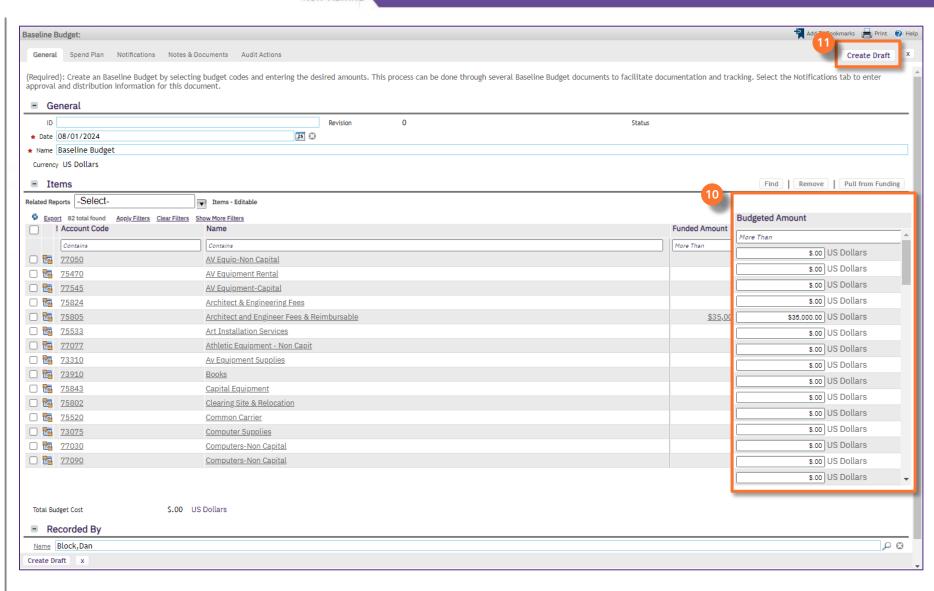
### ▼ PROCESS

To create a new Baseline Budget (cont.),

- 10) Fill in the **Budgeted Amount**s for each chartstring based on the new Baseline Budget numbers.
- 11) Click the Create Draft button.

### **▼** IMPORTANT

Item Cost has been changed to Budgeted Amounts.





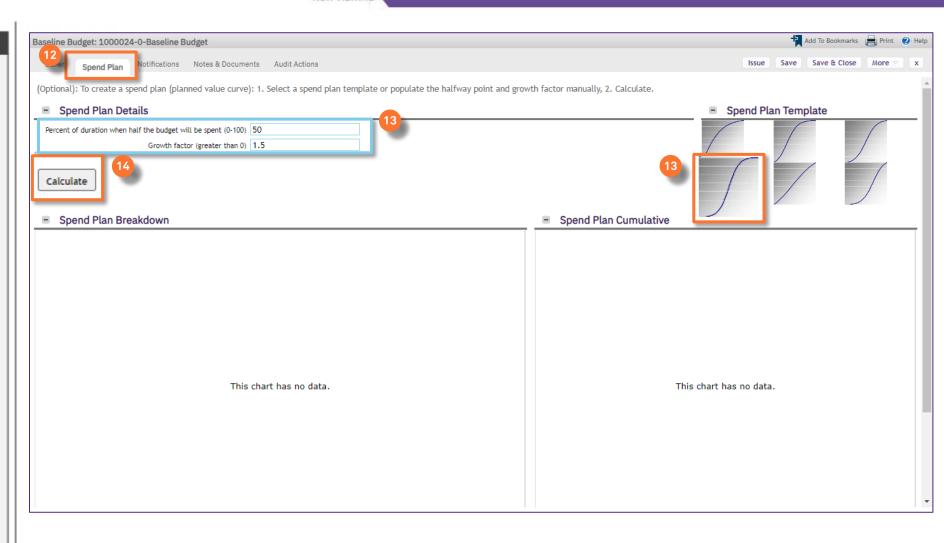
### PROCESS

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. >>





### ▼ PROCESS

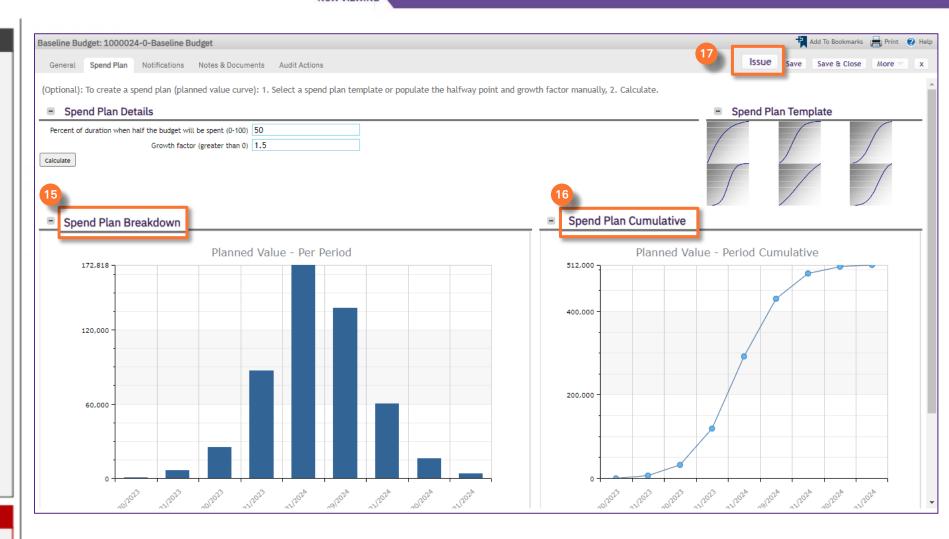
To enable the **Spend Plan** for this Baseline Budget (cont.):

- 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.





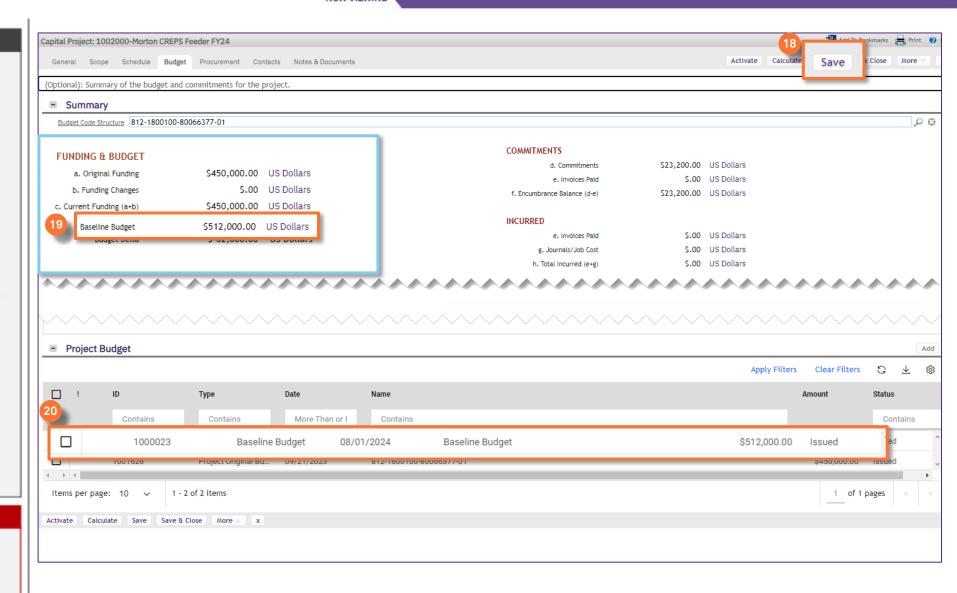
### ▼ PROCESS

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.

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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.>>

