

ANNUAL BUDGET SHEYLA BATRES & LISA BETTENCOURT



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ACCURATE BUDGET ANALYSIS

- If available review your current budget in preparation for next year
- It is important to analyze any discrepancies between the budget and the actual operations to mitigate any negative variances

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- Income
- Expenses
- Management

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- Income
- · If the income is not accurate all expenses are affected
- If your property historically spend high in areas, do not cut the expenses unless a change warrants it
- Management
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 Staffing transitions in both maintenance and the office can greatly impact the budget from ordering supplies to classing invoices to different GL codes



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Motable: CA tenent protection act AB 1462, you may raise the rest up to 5% plus the applicable Consumer Price Index ICPI or 10% per fixed 12-month period

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Controllable variance: The difference between the actual cost incurred and the budgeted costs for a particular expense or revenue item that can be directly influenced, managed or altered by the actions of the managing agent.

Uncontrollable variance: The difference between actual and budgeted items that are caused by factors that are outside of your control or influence.

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Termination of PBV subsidy due to high management turnover. This potentially increases training costs, hiring costs, temporary agency costs, bad debt cost and decreases rent/subsidy collection.

A plan of action (POA) should be provided by the managing agent to reinstate the subsidy units. That POA should include who is responsible, the timeline of completion the total loss anticipated to the property and preventative strategies, so this does not reoccur.

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Uncontrollable variance examples:

Hydro heaters circulation pumps no longer working and reparable. This impacts tenants' hot water and heat during the winter months and is considered an emergency repair. The cost is \$18k per building and the repairs were approved for (4) locations totaling \$72K.

Future budget consideration:

The plumber suggest replacements of the system as the repairs will likely hold for 2 years. The replacement cost is \$300K for all buildings at the site.

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THE IMPORTANCE OF AN ACCURATE BUDGET

The success of the property is determined by the ability to cashflow or meet the required debt-service coverage ratio If the site is unable to pay its overhead cost it will become a burden to the owners and the managing agent A property that is not cash flowing will place the site on a watchlist internally, with investors and owners	\	





COMPLETING A BUDGET

- Budget completion should be inline within your organizations and clients' requirements
- Those requirements should be a structured way to pull the current GPI coupled with any anticipated rent increases
- Suggested reporting: forecast, 12-month actual expenses, 3-year trend, budget comparison, current capital expenses
- The target debt-service coverage ratio
- Account withdrawal requirements

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INCOME PORTION OF THE SITE BUDGET



- THE GROSS POTENTIAL INCOME WITH ANNUAL INCREASES IS THE BASELINE OF THE INCOME PORTION OF THE BUDGET
- > ANY DEDUCTIONS FOR EMPLOYEE OR EXEMPT UNITS SHOULD BE DEDUCTED
- > CONSIDERATION OF
- > ECONOMIC VACANCY IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE GROSS POTENTIAL
- > ANY PRIOR YEAR VARIANCES SHOULD BE ASSESSED PRIOR TO COMPLETING
- > OVERAGE IN INCOME DUE TO HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER COLLECTION SHOUL

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MONTH TO DATE AND YEAR TO DATE VARIANCE | Main half posterior | M

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1. Captures current and seasonally adjusted costs for the past 12 months also called (TTM) trailing 12 months

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	Report Forecast:	
	Projects the current trend Remove one-time expenses and annualizing periodic expenses	
	Report 12-month actual:	
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	Report Capital expenses 1. Viewing budgeted versus actual	
	Schedule budget items and/or increase/decrease the budget next year	

ANTICIPATING COST NEEDS MAINTENANCE



An exterior or interior property walk is typically completed at least annually.



The property should be always audit ready and compliant with the state and funding sources monitoring agencies.



A list of deficiencies and a timeline for the inhouse repairs should be completed during the time of the annual unit walk.



A list of exterior repairs and requirements should be completed seasonally and prepared accordingly.

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Notable:

In California, state lew SB 721 requires all proparty owners of multi-family proparties to have their acterior elevated vood-framed surfaces in whole or substantile part or wood-based products for structural support or stabilityl inspected by efficience of Architect or Structural Engineer by Jenuary 1, 2025.

After that, the inspection must be completed every said (6) year

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DETERMINE IF PAYROLL IS SUFFICIENT

An annual review of the comparable area wages should be completed annually. Retention of staff is important and should be discussed and reviewed every budget season.

- Determine what the annual increase will be and any bonus
- Discuss the annual increase with the appropriate parties
- Compare the site payroll to the area
- Budget for the annual increases.
- Once the increase is approved, implement the annual increase on time

ANTICIPATING COST CHANGES Cost changes can positively and negatively affect the upcoming budget Positive Change Example: Tackling low hanging fruit by removing any items that are unnecessary expenses or finding a cheaper alternative. Switching to larger trash bins with less pick up decreasing the monthly cost by \$1K Negative Change Example: The current landscapers are no longer willing to services your area at year end; after a few quotes, the cheapest landscaper is an additional \$10K a year. Notable: Contacting all vendors and requesting next years increases or averaging the increases from the 3-year trand is key to projecting annual cost increases and effective date changes

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REVIEW THE PURPOSED BUDGET

1. Review the anticipated rents for accuracy

2. Review any low hanging fruit and determine if any non-essential items can be removed, or services reduced

3. Review your budget to determine nothing has been missed and applicable wish-list items for the site are included.





$MAINTAIN\ THE\ BUDGET$

Consistent monthly review of the budget versus the actual

Holding the applicable staff responsible for the controllable variances

Regular review of the sites GL codes to ensure accurate accounting

Training on reclass and holding the applicable staff responsible

Staffing transitions

Ensure the staff has access to complete any required reporting

Ensure the staff understands the financials and required reporting

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$MAINTAIN\,A\,BUDGET$

At current year end to prepare for next years budget. Have as much bad debt, write offs and current year expense, fees paid to start the year with a clean slate.

Determine if there are any uncontrollable expenses

Do not be discouraged, remove the unforeseeable and calculate the DSCR without it to ensure your site doesn't fall further off track.

Remove wish list items as applicable to maintain DSCR if your site had unexpected expense

Remember the budget is the best guess to determine the needs of the property and we cannot predict unforeseeable expenses.

If multiple portions of the budget are not being met track them and investigate the changes or the potential reasons for the discrepancies monthly.



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MAINTAIN A BUDGET Once your budget is complete the goal is to operate reasonably within it Reviewing the budget with all staff that can place purchase orders Implement monthly recurring payables and tracking systems to ensure any variances will be tracked

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