

The Facilities Planning Process

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Inventory

What's the capacity of
present facilities?

Level of Service

What quality of service are you going to provide?

Level of Service

Is a policy decision.

Buildout Study

What demand for facilities
do you anticipate?

Buildout Study

What are the consequences
of present land use policies?

Facilities Needs

Compare existing capacity
with anticipated demand.

Cost Estimates

What will the needed
facilities cost?

Capital Improvements Program

Prioritized list of needs, with
schedule and financing.

An Example

Courtesy of Grand County, UT
and Hofman Planning Associates

Inventory

Existing library is 4,900 SF.

Existing population is 9,156.

Level of Service

Adopted LOS standard is
800 SF per 1,000 population.

Buildout Study

Projected buildout
population is 27,412.

Facilities Needs

7,325 SF needed to serve the existing population. There is a 2,425 SF deficit.

Facilities Needs

17,030 additional SF needed to serve the buildout population, for a total 21,930 SF.

Cost Estimates

\$182.50 per SF, \$300,000
per acre for a new site, for a
total of \$4,479,225.

Cost Estimates

\$3,016,412 attributable
to new development.

Capital Improvements Program

How to pay for a new library?

When to build it?