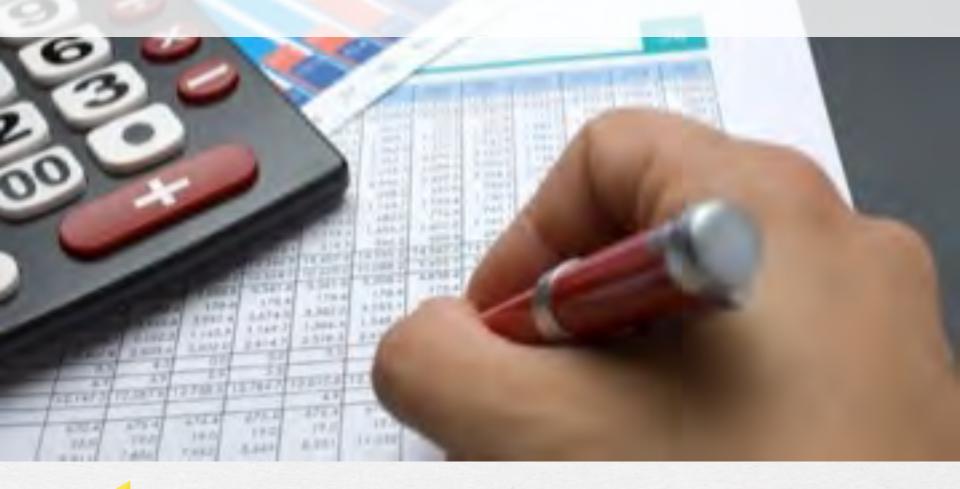
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#### **Training Managers on Budgeting Basics**





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#### **Today's Presenter**

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#### **Interaction During the Program**

- Use the general chat to communicate with anyone in the class.
- Feel free to ask questions and make comments at any time.

#### **Participant Introduction**

In the general chat window, please

#### **INTRODUCE YOURSELF**

with your <u>name</u>, <u>location</u>, and <u>industry</u>.

#### **Overview**

Planning versus budgeting

Financial competencies required

How to assess the knowledge gap

Key factors to consider in designing your training strategy



#### **Participant Interaction**

## What is a budget?

Please enter your definition in the chat window.

#### **The Budget**

Quantifies in monetary terms the action plans of the company over a <u>short</u> period of time.



#### **Planning**

Identification of long-range goals and the strategies and action plans



Quantifies plans into monetary terms in the short-term.

#### **Participant Interaction**

In the general chat window, list some reasons why companies plan.



#### **RESOURCE ALLOCATION**



#### CONTROL



#### **FEEDBACK**





# **EXTERNAL DEMANDS**



#### **SIMULATIONS**

What do You need

#### Poll

#### What skills do your managers lack?

#### **Choose all that apply**

- A. Lack of financial literacy.
- B. Lack of knowledge on our planning process.
- C. Lack of skills on how to estimate spending.
- D. Inability to analyze spending variances.
- E. Inability to take action.
- F. My managers have the necessary skills.
- G. I have no idea.

#### **Key Competencies**

Basic financial literacy

Knowledge of the planning cycle

Budgeting skills

#### 1st Key Competency

## Basic financial literacy

Financial statements
Accrual accounting
Basic cost concepts

#### Basic financial literacy Financial statements



### Basic financial literacy Accrual accounting



# Basic financial literacy Basic cost concepts



#### **2nd Key Competency**

# Knowledge of the planning process

#### **Key information**

Critical events

Due dates

Responsibilities

Information needed

Interdependencies

#### **3rd Key Competency**

# Budgeting skills

Specific techniques to estimate the numbers by line item

#### Assessing the knowledge gap



#### What is the desired business outcome?



Ability to plan and fiscally manage areas of responsibility

# What are the critical behaviors linked to these business outcomes?



#### What are the critical behaviors?

- Link short-term objectives to resources.
- Identify interdependencies.
- Estimate the cost.
- Identify opportunities.
- ACT on variances.
- Anticipate unforeseen situations.

# What are knowledge and skills required to drive these behaviors?

Basic financial literacy

Knowledge of the planning cycle

Budgeting skills

#### Poll

# What type of training on budgeting is available for your managers?

#### **Choose all that apply**

- A. 3<sup>rd</sup> party online training
- B. 3<sup>rd</sup> party public seminars
- C. Live, in-house training
- D. Blended learning
- E. The school of hard knocks

# What should be your training strategy for teaching managers how to budget?

You cannot teach budgeting in a vacuum.

It needs to be a comprehensive program, not just a one-day training.

Financial statements
Accrual accounting

Accounting terminology
Basic cost concepts





- The functions of a plan
- Budgets and forecasts
- How your planning cycle works
- How to analyze your environment
- How to develop strategies and action plans



Tie short-term plans to resource requirements.

Analyze cost structure and estimate critical line items.



# Decisions on CONTENT and DELIVERY

will affect the

training effectiveness and

COSTS.

#### Content

In-house Cost = Medium to high

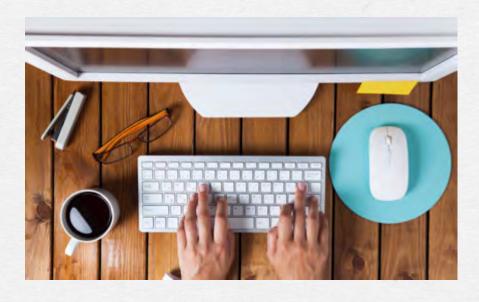
OR

Outsourced
Cost = Low to medium

### **Delivery Methods**

- Instructor-led, live
- Instructor-led, online
- Blended learning
- Online self-study
- Manuals

### **Delivery** Blended





Online
Establish a base level of knowledge

**Live**Collaboration and interaction

### Mentoring



### **Key Questions to Answer**

What is the desired business outcome?

Who need to be trained?

What skills do they lack?

How much am I willing to invest?

Are in-house resources available?

How will I measure the outcome?

## FINANCIAL TRAINING Pays for Itself!

Improved decision making
Better utilization of resources

**RESULTS IN** 

Increased profits

### Final thoughts....

Teaching managers to budget effectively is NOT a one-time event.

It requires mentoring and follow-up.

For online training, HR must ensure managers are accountable.

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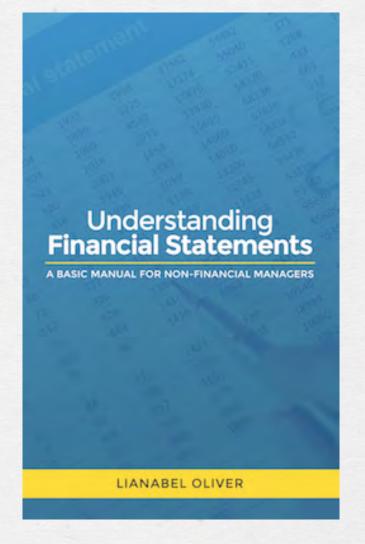
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