Making Capital Improvements Without Using Capital Dollars

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Objectives

- Energy Performance Contracting (EPC)
- Understanding the process
- Summary

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"The use of guaranteed savings from the maintenance and operations budget (utilities) as capital to make needed upgrades and modernizations to your building environmental systems, financed over a specified period of time."

-- United States Department of Energy

Alabama is *ready* for Performance Contracting

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- Enabled under Code of Alabama
 - Section 41-16-140 & 41-16-144

- An energy services company (ESCO) can identify and evaluate energy saving opportunities.
- The ESCO will then recommend a package of improvements to be paid for through savings.
- The ESCO guarantees that savings will meet or exceed annual payments to cover all project costs, over an agreed financing term.
- If the savings are not achieved the ESCO pays the difference.

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Maintenance and Utilities Budget-Before and After EPC



EPC VS. Capital Appropriations

- Address facility issues today
- One company accountability
- Quality assurance

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- Performance and value-based
- Guaranteed results

Understanding the Process

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Source: Alabama EPC Manual (<u>www.adeca.alabama.gov/ewt/</u>)

Potential EPC Candidates in Alabama

- State Agencies
- Municipalities
- Higher Education- Public and Private
- Healthcare- Public and Private
- K-12

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- Commercial
- Industrial

Summary

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Energy Performance Contracting allows clients to:

- Leverage against rising energy and construction costs
- Address aging building conditions
- Positive environmental impact
- Improve facilities with no up-front investment



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