# CSUN CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE

#### STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

Physical Plant Management SOP No.: 23-3003

Title:

**Monthly Reconciliation Process** 

Department:

**Financial Services** 

**Effective Date:** 

May 31, 2023

# **PURPOSE**

The Monthly Reconciliation process enables us to check and balance with the SOLAR Financials system, catch data entry errors, and track expenses accurately. It also allows us to be audit-ready and present accurate and timely information to department personnel management. It is a Microsoft Excelbased template that streamlines the logging, tracking, reconciling, and reporting of financial information for all fund types.

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) aims to outline the steps and guidelines for the monthly budget reconciliation process. This process ensures accurate tracking and analysis of financial transactions, identifies discrepancies, and facilitates effective financial management.

#### **PROCESS**

a. Gather all relevant financial documents, including PeopleSoft reports\* and queries\*, invoices, receipts, and monthly expense reports.

b. Access the <u>Monthly Expenditure spreadsheet</u> in the Q drive. Q:\FINANCE\OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE

# Compare Budgeted Amounts:

- a. Refer to the approved budget for the month and retrieve the budgeted amounts for each expense category.
- b. Cross-reference the budgeted amounts with the actual expenses incurred during the month.

# Review Revenue and Expenditures:

- a. Analyze all revenue sources (Chargebacks and MOUs) and verify that they align with the recorded transactions in the monthly *total chargeback spreadsheet*.
- b. Review expenses, ensuring accurate categorization and allocation to the appropriate budget line items. See the *Monthly Expenditure spreadsheet*.
- c. Identify any discrepancies between the budgeted amounts and actual expenses. Investigate and document the reasons for any significant variations.

#### Adjustments and Corrections:

- a. Analyze any discrepancies or errors found during the reconciliation process.
- b. Make adjustments and corrections to the financial records as needed, ensuring accuracy and consistency.
- c. Document all adjustments made, including explanations and justifications.

### Reporting:

a. Prepare the monthly PPM Financials reconciliation spreadsheet summarizing the monthly budget reconciliation process findings. Q:\FINANCE\PPM Monthly Financial Reports

b. Include details of any discrepancies, adjustments, and the reasons behind them.

# Follow-up Actions:

a. Update the budget tracking system spreadsheet with the reconciled and adjusted figures.

# Training and Communication:

- a. Provide training to relevant personnel involved in the budget reconciliation process to ensure understanding of procedures and expectations.
- b. Communicate any updates or changes to the reconciliation process promptly to Senior Management.

Note: It is essential to comply with applicable financial regulations, company policies, and internal controls throughout the budget reconciliation process.

This Standard Operating Procedure should be reviewed periodically and updated as necessary to reflect any changes in the budget reconciliation process or organizational requirements.

\*Review the Financials: nVision Financial Reports View Only User's Guide (link in the reference below) to run the BBA reports

General Fund Cost (	Centers - People Soft Financials BBA Reports				_	July 2021
COST CENTER	FUND	DEPTID	PGM	SCOPE	Select	REPORT ID
Central Ops	48501	10013		D PPM 1		FA
Central Ops	48601	10013		D PPM 1		FA
Financial Svcs	48501	10014		D_PPM_1		FA
Electric	48501	10016		D_PPM_1		FA
Mech Svcs	48501	10017		D_PPM_1		FA
Plumbing	48501	10018		D_PPM_1		FA
Bldg Maint	48501	10019		D_PPM_1		FA
Custodial	48501	10020		D_PPM_1		FA
Grounds	48501	10021		D_PPM_1		FA
PPM Info Tech	48501	10022		D_PPM_1		FA
Carpenter	48501	10023		D_PPM_1		FA
Paint	48501	10024		D_PPM_1		FA
Auto	48501	10025		D_PPM_1		FA
Lock	48501	10026		D_PPM_1		FA
Dist Center	48501	10027		D_PPM_1		FA
Materials Mgmt	48501	10028		D_PPM_1		FA
Receiving	48501	10030		D_PPM_1		FA
Postal/Del	48501	10031		D_PPM_1		FA
Asset Mgmt	48501	10032		D_PPM_1		FA
Energy	48590	90208		D_PPM_2		FA
Postage	48591	90203		D PPM 2		FA

CHARGEBACKS	FUND	DEPTID		PGM	SCOPE	Select	REPORT ID
Central Ops	485PM	10013			T_PPM_1		FA
Energy Management	485PM	10015			T_PPM_1		FA
Electric	485PM	10016			T_PPM_1		FA
Mech Svcs	485PM	10017			T_PPM_1		FA
Plumbing	485PM	10018			T_PPM_1		FA
Bldg Maint	485PM	10019			T_PPM_1		FA
Custodial	485PM	10020			T_PPM_1		FA
Grounds	485PM	10021			T_PPM_1		FA
MIS	485PM	10022			T_PPM_1		FA
Carpenter	485PM	10023			T_PPM_1		FA
Paint	485PM	10024			T_PPM_1		FA
Auto	485PM	10025			T_PPM_1		FA
Lock & Keys	485PM	10026			T_PPM_1		FA
Dist Center	485PM	10027			T_PPM_1		FA
Receiving/Stores	485CR	10030	INCL 485CS		T_PPM_1		FA
Postal/Del	485PD	10031			T_PPM_1		FA
Postage	485PD	90203			T_PPM_1		FA

REFERENCES
<a href="https://www.csun.edu/financial">https://www.csun.edu/financial</a>
<a href="https://www.csun.edu/sites/default/files/sf-nvis-view.pdf">https://www.csun.edu/sites/default/files/sf-nvis-view.pdf</a>

**APPROVED** 

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Date

**APPENDIX**