Stepping Stone
CONSULTING

Transforming Technology Goals into Program Achievements
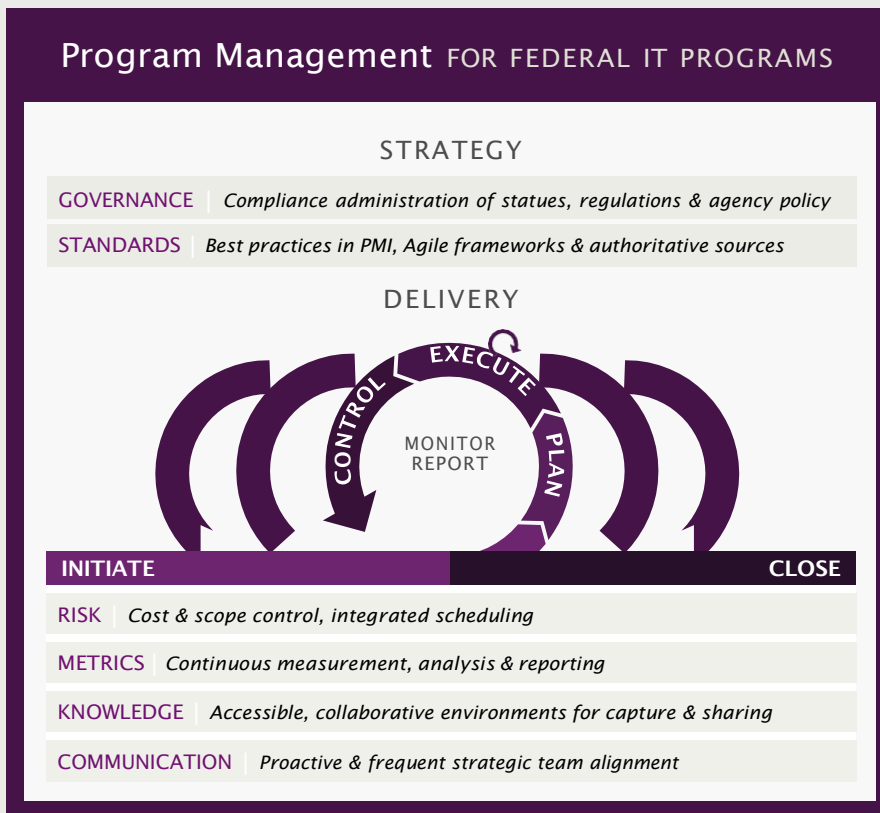
Delivering full lifecycle Program Management in Federal IT Programs

Our consultants align delivery efforts and teams to strategic goals and objectives, using an approach that provides oversight, guidance, coordination and risk management.

Key Components To Our Approach:

Program Management FOR FEDERAL IT PROGRAMS

STRATEGY

GOVERNANCE | *Compliance administration of statues, regulations & agency policy*

STANDARDS | *Best practices in PMI, Agile frameworks & authoritative sources*

DELIVERY

CONTROL · EXECUTE · PLAN · MONITOR REPORT · INITIATE · CLOSE

RISK | *Cost & scope control, integrated scheduling*

METRICS | *Continuous measurement, analysis & reporting*

KNOWLEDGE | *Accessible, collaborative environments for capture & sharing*

COMMUNICATION | *Proactive & frequent strategic team alignment*

SERVICES:

– Strategic Consulting & Management

– Program & Project Management

– Acquisition Management

– IT Management

– Risk Management

– Communication Management

BENEFITS TO OUR SERVICES:

– Reduce risk with controlled cost & scope

– Increase efficiencies, automations & performance

– Decision-readiness & transparency

– Leverage lessons learned

– Mission-focused guidance throughout lifecycle

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DESIGNATION:

SBA WOSB
Woman Owned Small Business

CERTIFICATIONS:

PMI
Project Management Institute

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Case Studies:

Transform from Reactive to Proactive

CHALLENGE:

Military Service Program Manager continuously reactive to issues and major risks leading to meetings, inquiries and data gathering to respond and resolve.

SOLUTION:

Leverage collaboration tools – MS SharePoint and MS Project Server for the whole team to use as project management and transparent communication and data tools.

OUTCOME:

Updated schedule, risks, and issues were accessible anytime on MS Project Server. Program artifacts were centrally located and under configuration management. Staff meetings used the schedule, risk and issues on project server and eliminated the time to create PowerPoint and the potential of issues/risks not being reported. Program Manager proactively engaged when needed and controlled the messaging to external stakeholders.

CUSTOMER INSIGHT:

"Thank you [Stepping Stone] for the live updates via MS Project Server to replace most of the PowerPoint based staff meetings, project updates and miscellaneous status requests… streamline our project management and reporting function." – Product Director

Migration Readiness & Alignment

CHALLENGE:

The program office determined an implementation path to migrate 16 agencies to a single network with pre-determined dictated dates for an agency to migrate. The program office struggled to identify dependencies across teams, as well as agencies, and were continually slipping schedule.

SOLUTION:

Stepping Stone developed the integrated master schedule to the 5th level of a work-breakdown-structure and 97% dependency driven. The IMS included external dependencies that the agencies had to complete.

OUTCOME:

The IMS showed the original strategy was not feasible. With the IMS, a clear path of agency readiness was identified, and program strategy revised to reflect the new implementation schedule. The Program office had quick successes with those agencies ready for the migration and gave other agencies more time correct their deficiencies.

CUSTOMER INSIGHT:

"…the IMS was a very good schedule, it is functioning as it should because it provided [us] notice of realistic outcomes…" – Deputy Program Manager

Navigate Artifacts for Milestone Decisions

CHALLENGE:

The minimum acquisition artifacts required to inform the Milestone Acquisition Decision to receive Initial Operational Capability (IOC) were unclear, and many artifacts were partially completed. The milestone had repetitively been pushed out.

SOLUTION:

Stepping Stone identified the minimum required using a matrix and explanation for each determination. When agreement was given, Stepping Stone drafted and staffed the minimum required documents for the milestone decision.

OUTCOME:

The program received IOC and agreement and funding to continue to the next phase. Stepping Stone reduced time to produce the required documents by identifying the minimum and the explanation for the determination.

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