



# NextGen Project Update

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# NextGen Vision & Mission

## VISION

To transform state government processes by leveraging secure, flexible, and intuitive technology that promotes transparency, increases efficiency, and enables excellent customer service

## MISSION

Continuously optimize user experience and business processes in human capital management, finance and procurement enabled by a unified platform



# NextGen Values



## Transparency

We build and maintain trust by ensuring that data will be universally accessible to a variety of stakeholders and easily consumable through simplified reporting and visual dashboards.



## Efficiency

Enabled by technology, we foster user self-sufficiency by continuously improving business processes to maximize productivity and reduce manual input.



## Integrity

We maintain data to ensure that it can be relied upon to make decisions and all legal and regulatory requirements are met.



## Customer-focused

We provide our external customers and internal system users with an intuitive, user-friendly experience and maintain a customer service feedback loop.



## Security

We design and configure systems to protect confidentiality, ensure availability, prevent fraud, enable business continuity and maintain security protocols.



## Accountability

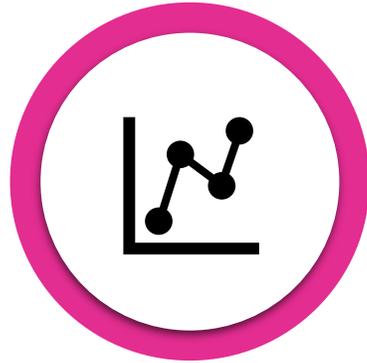
We earn credibility by fulfilling commitments, establishing standardized processes and ensuring a system of checks and balances.

# Desired Outcomes



## OPTIMIZED WORKFORCE

- Improve employee and organizational efficiency, maximize use of resources and promote collaboration across the enterprise of state government.
- Reduce redundancy of tasks by automating processes to enable employees to increase focus on agency missions.



## ENABLED DECISION-MAKING

- Ensure data quality, transparency, and integrity by instituting system-enabled checks and balances and standardizing data elements.
- Provide availability of data for predictive analytics using dashboards available through system-generated reporting as well as ad-hoc capabilities.



## MODERN STAKEHOLDER EXPERIENCE

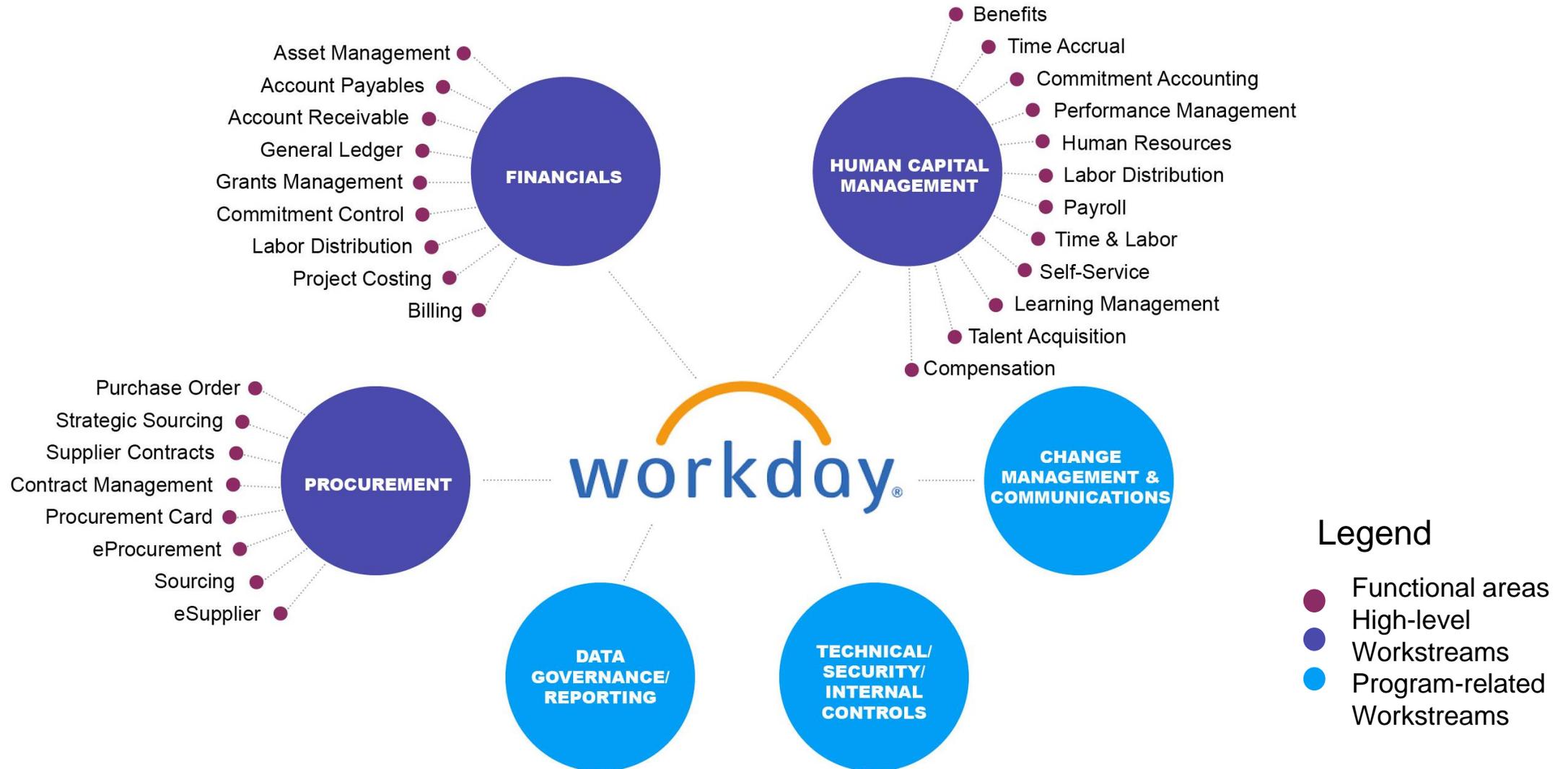
- Enhance user experience through easy-to-use, intuitive technology, accessible training and adoption of standard business processes.
- Ensure stakeholder inclusion in process development and system configuration activities to achieve standardization.



## EFFICIENT STEWARDSHIP

- Leverage delivered capabilities to increase transparency of spend and ensure accountability of business operations.

# Project Workstreams



# ERP System Complexity

**2,900+**

Configuration Requirements

**22,654**

Active Reports

**200+**

Processes

**1,382**

Banks

**100+**

Interfaces and Applications

**1,700+**

Budget Trees

**74,000**

Active Employees

**1,800+**

Manual ACFR Forms

**60,000**

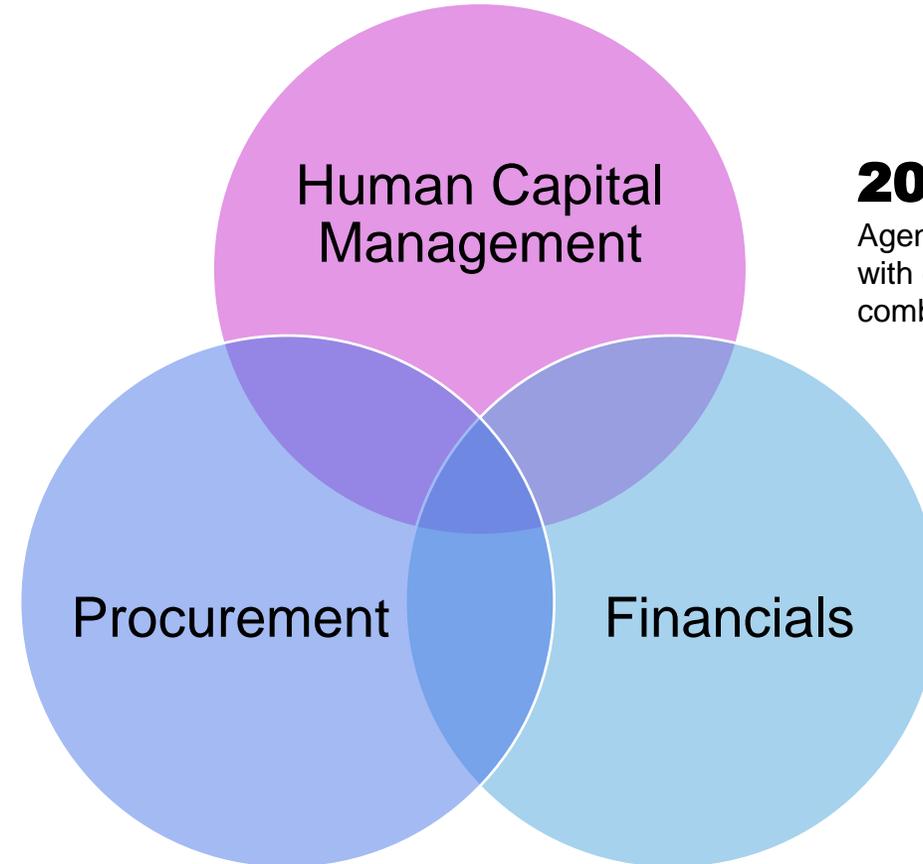
Vendors

**710,000**

Employee Candidate Records

**70,000**

Learning Management System Users



**200+**

Agencies and Entities with different solution combinations

# Benefits of NextGen



**Adaptable** to the modern workforce with access from any device



**End-user friendly** interfaces for quicker views and analysis



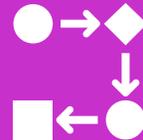
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**Real-time data** analytics and dashboard reporting



**Streamlined workflow** for paperless approvals and controls



**Consistent processing** of like tasks between agencies



**Engaged staff** with inherent learning & training tools

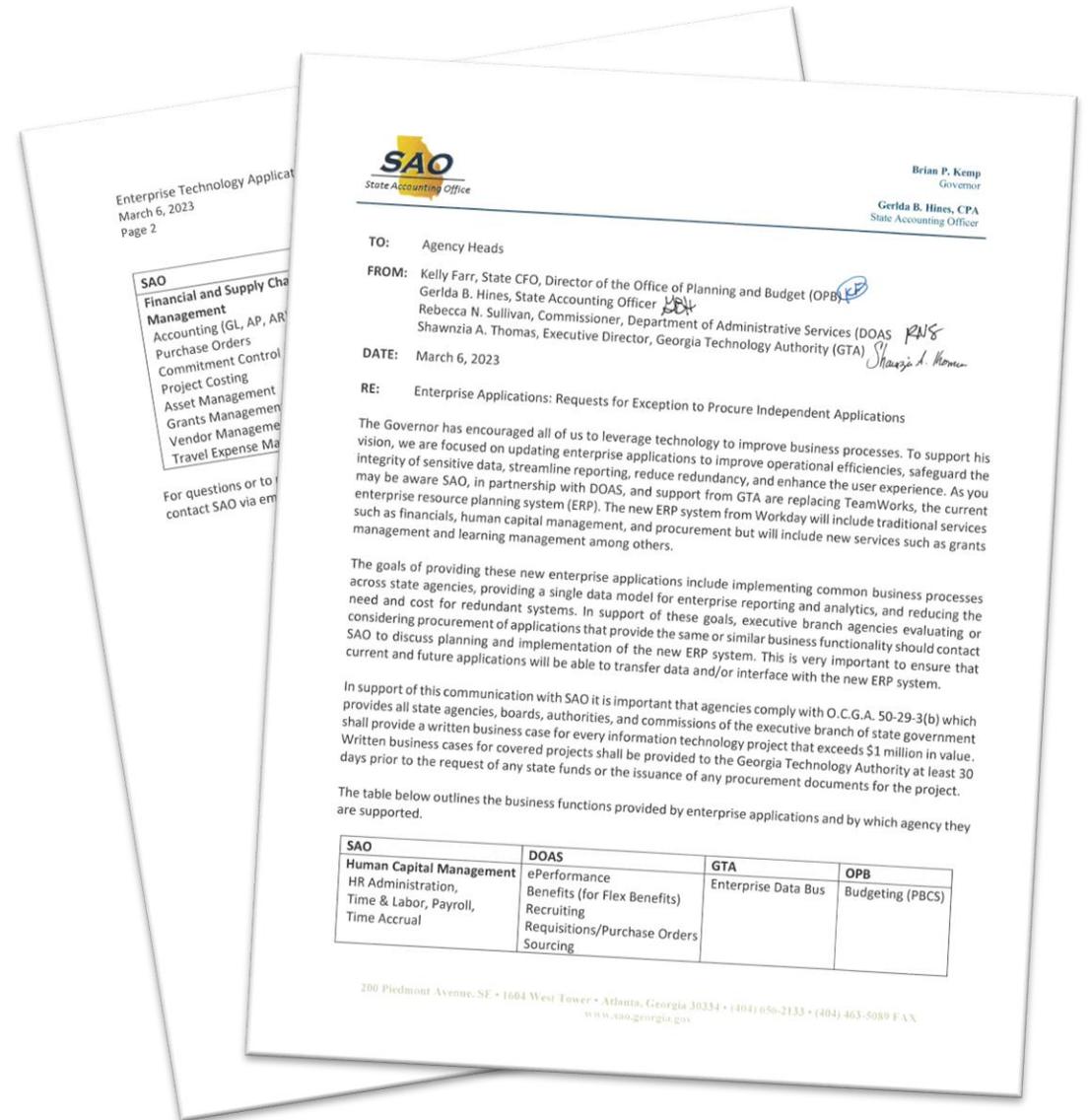


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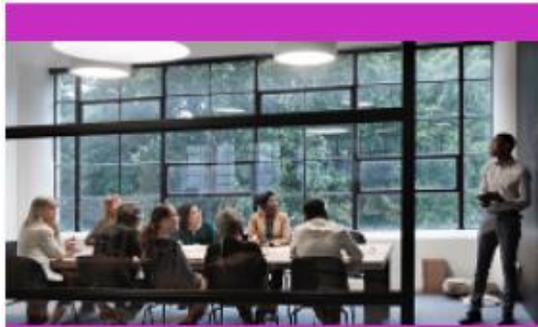
# Enterprise Applications

## Application Review Memo:

- Sent March 6, 2023
- From SAO, Office of Planning & Budget, Department of Administrative Services and Georgia Technology Authority (GTA)
- All agencies considering procurement of applications that provide the same or similar business functionalities as the State's new Workday system should contact SAO and submit a written business case to GTA for technology projects prior to the request of any state funds or issuance of any procurement documents to reduce redundancy across the enterprise.



# NextGen Phases



## PHASE 0

### Competitive evaluation

- Evaluating vendors and services including project planning, change management, staffing and backfill
- Identify subject matter experts to participate in analysis
- Process mapping



## PHASE 1

### Supplier Selection

- Determine build requirements
- Continue process mapping

Current Phase ★



## PHASE 2

### Implementation

- Design, development, configuration, testing, training
- Create future statewide support organization



## PHASE 3

### Optimization

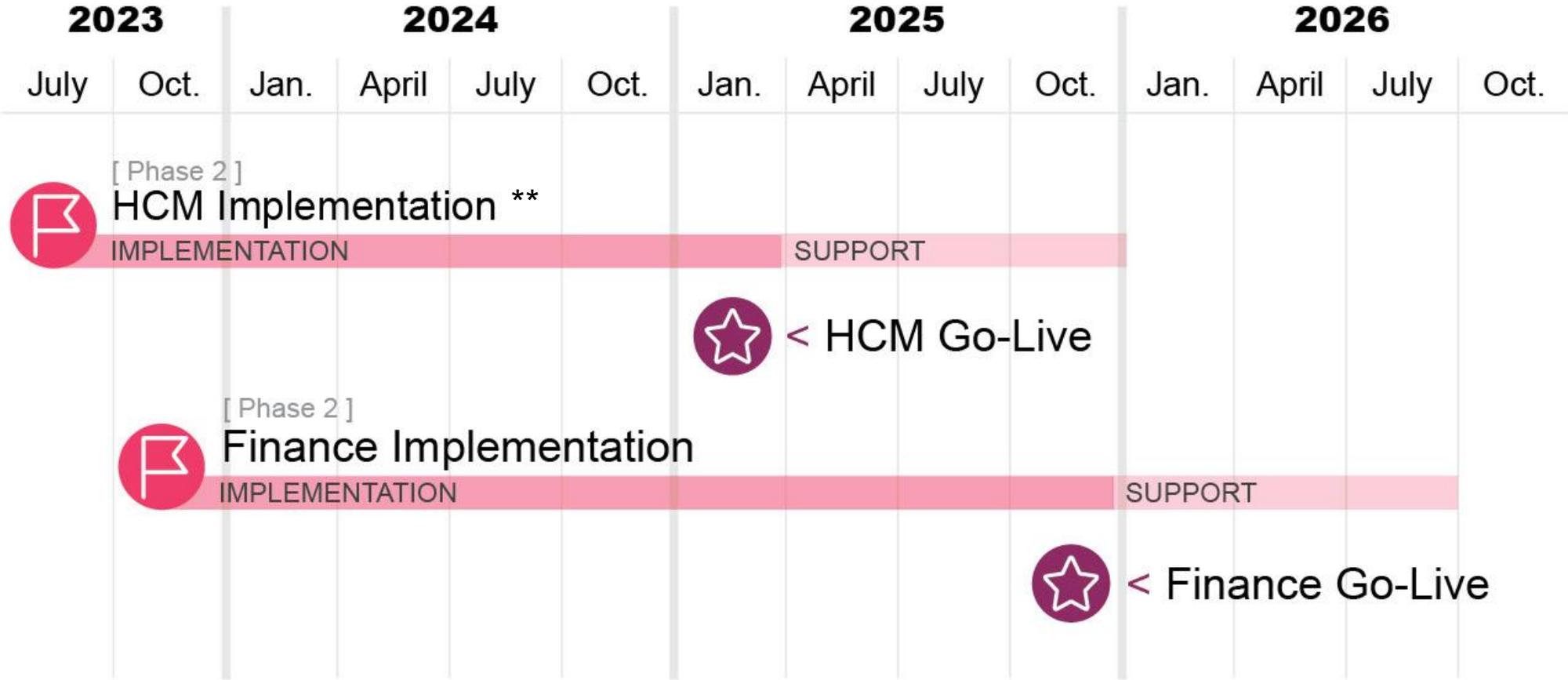
- Refine processes
- Deploy additional functionality if needed

Program management, change management, data governance



# Project Timeline

## PROJECT TIMELINE [by calendar year\*]



\* State fiscal years (FY) run from July 1 - June 30 (i.e. FY2024 began July 1, 2023)

\*\* HCM Implementation will begin late Q3 of Calendar Year 2023

# Agency Engagement

## A seat at the table!

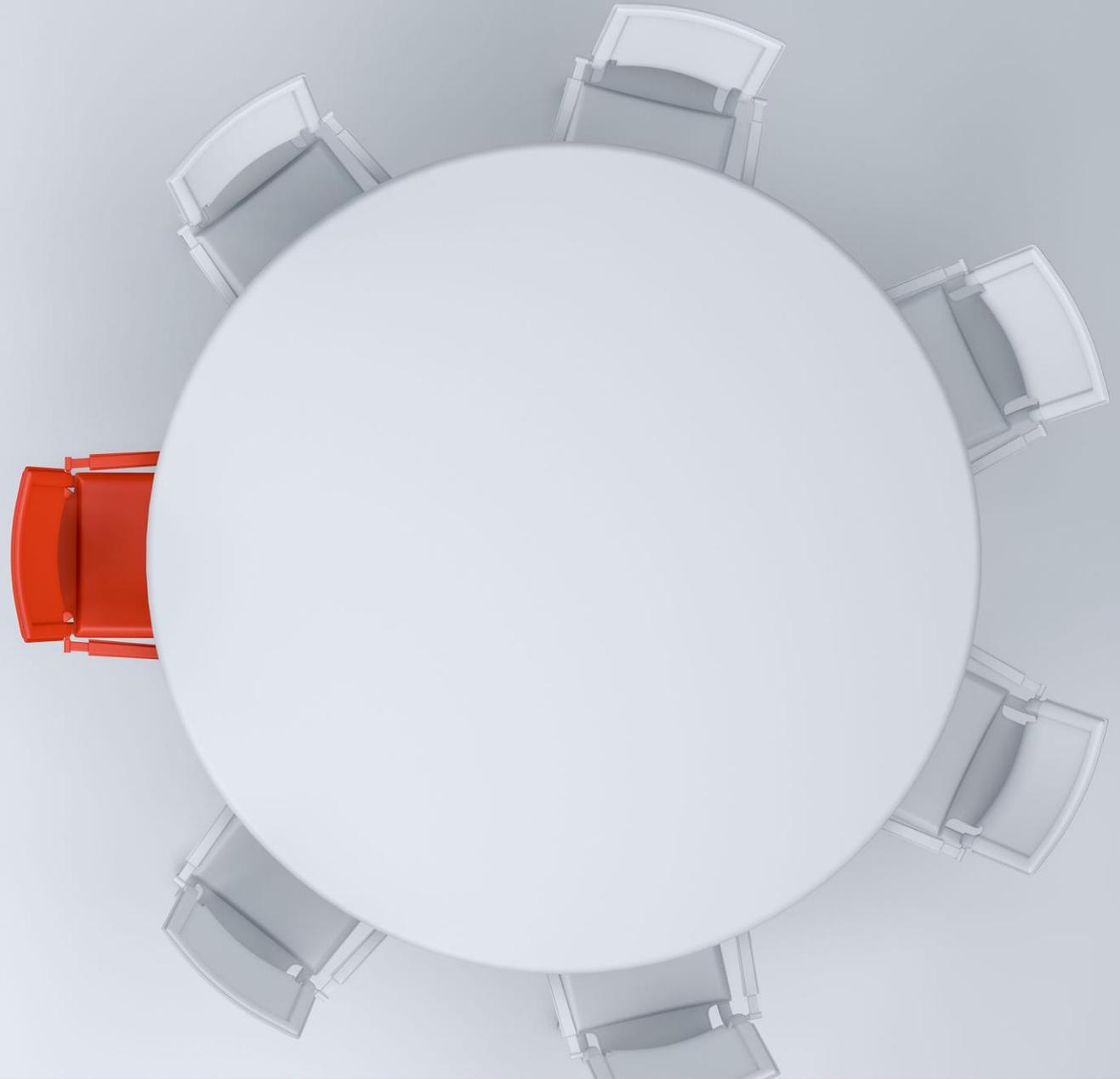
### Process Mapping – Complete ✓

- Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) from 60 agencies participated
- More than 200 processes mapped
- Thank You!

### What's Next:

Provide key business leadership and SMEs in several functional areas

Agency validation and testing



# Project Participation

## Workstream Leads + Subject Matter Experts



### Design Sessions

Align business processes with Workday software.



### Test Case Development

Create Georgia-specific test cases.



### Testing

Test the configuration of product features.



### Collaboration

Coordinate with System Implementer, other SMEs and team members.



### Change Advocacy

Champion the change to your agency as a representative of the project.

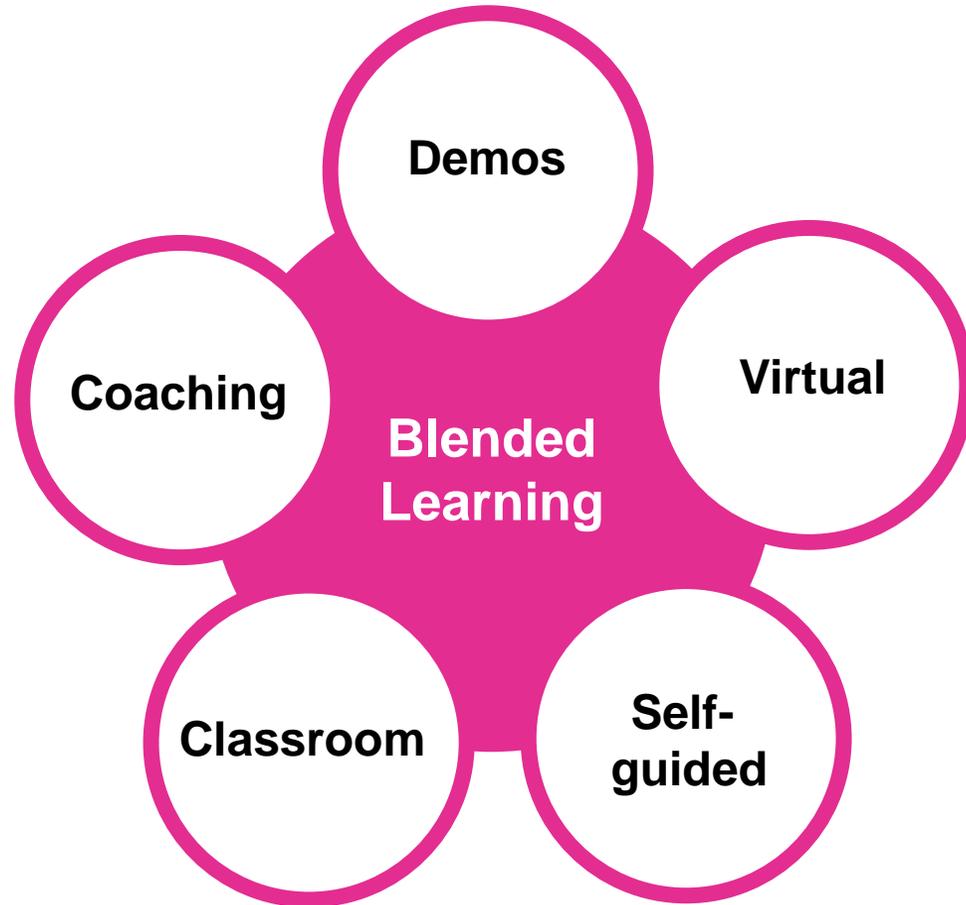
# Data Cleansing Activities



1. Clean up data
2. Standardization
3. Validation and Testing

# Training Approach

Training will be made available to all who will use the system in some way.



- **Blended Learning** – multiple methods of training
- **Course Curriculum** – designed by user type
- **Just in Time** – available when needed to eliminate gap between learning and using the system
- **Tracked and Measured** – learning checks and completion rates



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### News

AUGUST 15, 2023

#### August NextGen Newsletter

In our July newsletter, we shared our newly established mission and vision statements – outcomes from a summer strategic planning session to create the guideposts for the NextGen Project. Other outcomes from that session include our values and desired outcomes.

[Read more](#)

JULY 13, 2023

#### July NextGen Newsletter



#### NextGen Townhall - February 2023

Watch a recording of the February 2023 NextGen Townhall Meeting for project updates, process mapping details, and



#### Points of Contact

NextGen POCs serve as a link between agencies and the NextGen team. [Find your POC](#)

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# NextGen Website

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Read and sign up to receive monthly newsletters

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Find Frequently Asked Questions

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View a list of agency Points of Contact

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# Up Next

## **NEXTGEN PANEL DISCUSSION**

A Closer Look at NextGen Benefits  
Workday Foundation Model  
Q&A Session with SAO and Workday  
What's Next





# NEXTGEN

## **Questions about NextGen**

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# NextGen FMC Panel

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# NextGen Team



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# Implementation Project Approach

Initial Planning and Foundation Decisions (Foundation Data Model)

Two waves of Workday implementation

- Wave 1: HCM and Payroll
- **Wave 2: Finance and Procurement**

Each wave will have the following phases:

- Design
- Build (Configure)
  - Conversion
  - Validation
- Test
- Train
- Deploy

# Overview of TeamWorks

Administrative applications that deliver back-office tools for statewide organizations

## Human Capital Management

HR transactions (Transfers, Promotions, Leaves, Termination, etc.)

Benefits Deduction Management

Compensation

Performance Management

Payroll

Labor Distribution

Employee Self Service

Manager Self Service

**New features in future system:**

Talent Acquisition / Recruiting

Learning Management

## Financial Management

General Ledger

Asset Management

Cash Management and Cost Allocation

Accounts Receivable and Billing

Budgeting/Planning/Forecasting

Accounts Payable

Purchasing

Project Costing

Vendor Management

Purchasing Card

Travel and Expense

**New features in future system:**

Grants Management

Contract Management

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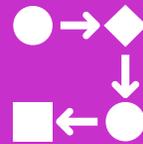
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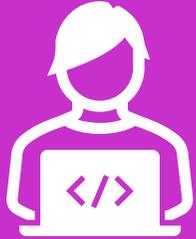


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# Flexible Work Model



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## How Workday Helps



### Adaptable Architecture

- Agility built into the core
- Changes automatically documented for audit purposes



### Easily Configurable

- Single graphical design tool for business process changes
- Process flow diagram for easy viewing
- No programming skills required



### Native Mobile

- Simple, intuitive, and always up to date
- Same look, feel, and security model as the rest of Workday

## Outcomes



### Greater Agility



### Empowered End Users



### Anytime, Anywhere Access

# Management Reporting & Analysis



**Embedded efficiencies**  
to reduce data entry



**Real-time data analytics**  
and dashboard reporting

## How Workday Helps



### Robust Reporting

- Multi-basis reporting (cash, modified accrual)
- Regulatory reporting
- Budget book / annual reports
- Project reporting



### Rich Insights

- Metrics and scorecards to track KPIs
- Unlimited dimensionality and detail
- Analyze across every dimension (cost center, project, grant, etc.)
- Pull data in from external sources



### Secure and Easy to Use

- Role-based security for safe collaboration and distribution
- Persona-driven dashboards

## Outcomes



**Improved Reporting Accuracy**

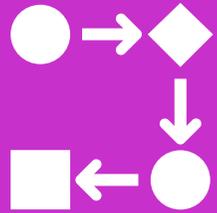


**Faster Report Generation**



**Increased Leadership Visibility and Usage**

# Expense Management



**Consistent processing**  
of like tasks between agencies



**Streamlined workflow** for paperless  
approvals and controls

## How Workday Helps



### Validations and Controls

- Visibility into out-of-policy spend
- Always-on audit
- Alerts and notifications



### Comprehensive Automation

- Custom validations
- Native mobile apps
- Automated approvals
- Seamless workflows



### Action from Anywhere

- Mobile submissions
- Mobile approvals
- Delegate approvals

## Outcomes



**Better Spend Control**



**More Efficient  
Business Processes**



**Increased User Adoption  
and Satisfaction**

# Recruit & Onboard



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## How Workday Helps



### Built-In Automation

- Dynamic candidate workflow
- Consolidated candidate history
- Contract builder
- Automated onboarding with guided journeys



### End-to-End Talent Acquisition

- Internal and external sourcing
- Collaborative interview management
- Proactive candidate management
- Seamless connection to compensation
- Masked candidate screening



### Consumer-Grade Experience

- Mobile-driven
- Configurable job applications
- Referral leaderboard
- Social media connectors

## Outcomes



**Streamlined Recruitment Processes**

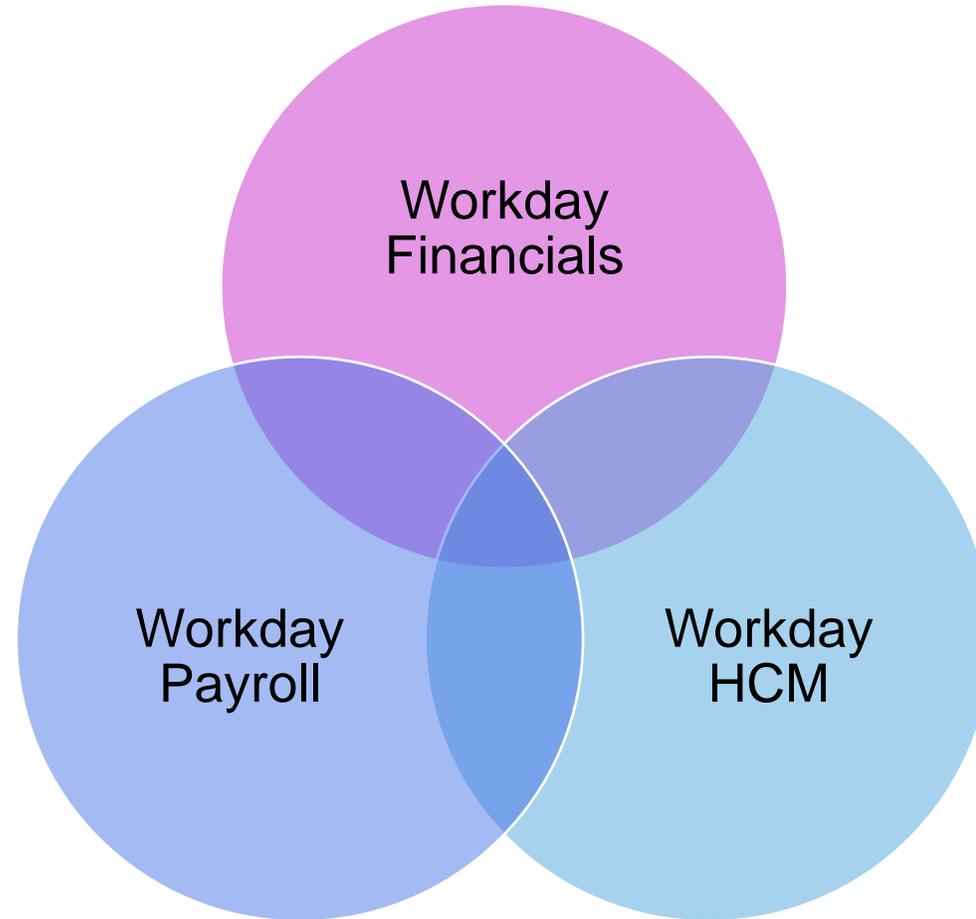


**Faster Time to Hire**



**Improved User Adoption and Engagement**

# Workday Foundation Data Model



# Foundation Data Model Approach

## **The foundation is the start of a journey not the end...**

- It is truly the foundation of how transactions will be processed and reported
- It sets the stage for the build and subsequent phases of the project
- It will take several sessions to build the data model for the State's needs
- Decisions will continue to be made as the project progresses

## **Start simple**

- Focus on understanding the basic concepts and build from there
- The approach to design will be iterative
- More complex elements can be discussed in further detail in a dedicated session later

## **Strive for a consistent and standardized design for foundation and beyond**

## **Build in a way that moves us forward with flexibility and compliance**

# Foundation Data Model Participation

## Leadership

- Project Leaders (including Executive Sponsors, Project Owner and Project Managers), Deputy State Accounting Officer

## HCM

- Core HCM SMEs
- Non-FDM discovery work with Time Tracking, Absence, Benefits, Recruiting, Compensation may occur in parallel

## Financials

- Financial SME/Financial Accounting SMEs
- Select business focal points
- Non-FDM discovery work in Procurement, Supplier Accounts, Customer Accounts, and other functional areas may occur in parallel

## Payroll

- Payroll SMEs
- Non-FDM payroll discovery may occur in parallel



# Meet Our Panelists



**Kris Martins**

Deputy State Accounting Officer  
Georgia's State Accounting Office



**David White**

Implementation Strategy Director  
Workday



**Lynn Hurley**

Principal Managing Partner  
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**Describe how the chart of accounts correlates between HCM/Payroll and Finance.**

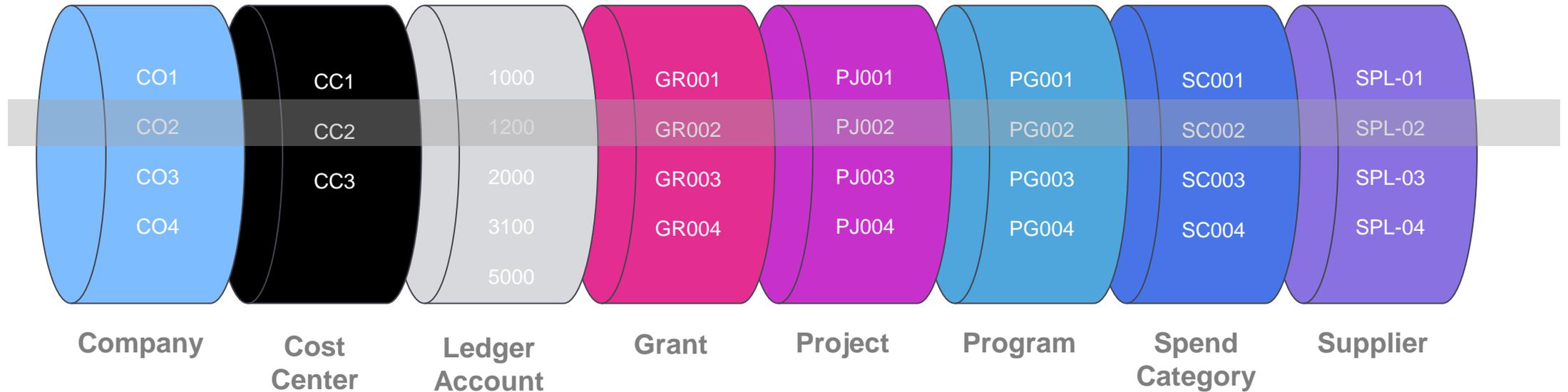


# Foundational Data Elements

*This list is an example and not exhaustive...*

Workday Financials	Workday HCM	Workday Payroll
Company	Supervisory organization	Company
Cost center	Location	Pay group
Fund	Job profile	Run Category
Program	Job family	Period schedule
Project	ID types	Payment Election Rules
Grant	Compensation Grades/Grade	Company Fed, State and Local
Appropriation	Profiles	tax setup
Location	Custom Organizations	Location
Ledger account	Security Groups & Assignments	Security Groups & Assignments
Spend category		
Revenue category		
Security Groups & Assignments		

# FDM for Financials



## Benefits



Creates flexibility by utilizing combinations of worktag values



Ability to easily report on any (or multiple) dimensions



Multi-purpose legacy dimensions replaced by a combination of a smaller number of values in each dimension



**It sounds like the number of accounts are going to decrease. If so, how am I going to get the data I am used to seeing if there are less accounts?**



# Key Worktags to Drive Ledger Account

## Spend Category

- Classifies spend, irrespective of accounting treatment
- Streamlines the chart of accounts with fewer expense and asset accounts
- Used to derive expense, prepaid asset, and fixed asset ledger accounts
- Tagged on payroll transactions via resulting worktags
- Expense Items, Purchase Items, Catalog Items provide more granular detail and map to spend category

### Examples:

Advertising  
Office Supplies  
Equipment  
Salaries Full-Time

## Revenue Category

- Classifies revenue
- Streamlines the chart of accounts with fewer revenue accounts
- Used to derive revenue ledger account
- Sales Items provide more granular detail and map to spend category

### Examples:

Permitting Fees  
Income Tax Revenue  
Property Tax Revenue  
Traffic Fines



**When entering a transaction, how do we make sure our users know what to enter and record to ensure accuracy?**





**What flexibility is there for agencies with different requirements? How is standardization at the statewide level maintained?**

# Data Governance

- Your FDM will continue to evolve to meet your business needs after deployment
- Need to define criteria and a process to manage this going forward both in latter stages of implementation and once deployed
  - How will requests be created?
  - How will requests be processed and approved?
  - What are the criteria to get a new value?
- This is often an area customers wait too long to address
- Recommend identifying small number of individuals responsible for updates based on decentralized requests and resulting approval
- Updates can have downstream/upstream impacts beyond Workday



**If I prepare my own GAAP statements (ex: SRTA, GPTC, DCH, DOAA) how does the FDM fit in to preparing financial statements on multiple different bases of accounting?**



# What's Next



## Identify the team to build out FDM structure

### Clean up data

- Open requisitions
- Open purchase orders
- Missing chart values
- Bank reconciliations
- Error/Suspense Account (monthly)
- Address open time requests (A/L, SL, etc.)
- Address unfunded positions (goal is to migrate funded positions)

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