

# Benefits of the BEST Advantage System— **BUDGET (BUD)**

The BEST Advantage System – BUD provides improved budgeting capabilities to inform decision-makers.

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## **Budget Upload Capabilities**



BUD allows you to download a Microsoft Excel template and upload your Budget during Budget Development

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## **Improved Budgeting Capabilities**



Strategic Benefits of the BUD system include:

- Potential for reduced budget variance (actual vs. budget) and improved resource allocation
- Potential for improved ability to analyze budget for mission alignment

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## **Integrated with FIN/HCM**



BEST Advantage System integration allows data to flow to and from the Financial System (e.g. weekly Chart of Account values, and monthly actuals), and from Human Capital Management (HCM) system (e.g., position and salary schedules). This integration enables:

- Creation of detailed budget projections
- Tracking of Budget to Actuals
- Verification of Budget for Positions

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## **Monthly Detailed Projections**

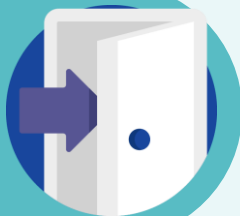


Using the Salary and Benefits Forecasting System (SBFS), BUD users can add various scenarios to better budget for:

- Salary increases based on Grade and Step
- Vacant Positions
- Projected Health and Welfare increases

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## **through BEST Authentication**



BUD can be accessed from anywhere with internet access. All applications of the BEST Advantage System – FIN, BUD, HCM, and InfoAdvantage— will be accessed by a single point of entry through the BEST Authentication portal. Your User ID will determine which of these systems you have access to and what you can do within them.

