

Who will benefit from faciliCAD?

It has been our experience that in almost all installations of our product, the client is surprised by the results. This is because past data was a combination of outdated drawings and static electronic files with manual calculations. Collecting, combining, standardizing and confirming this data provides an accurate account for Space, People and Assets. If this information is kept up to date, accurate information will always be available with the click of a mouse button. Everyone involved in maintaining and reporting on a facility will benefit from the implementation of a CAFM product.

Facility Managers and Physical Plant Managers:

Facility Managers are constantly asked for information from other departments regarding space, people and assets. In many cases, they are responsible for moving employees so they have many of the same needs as the IT and Human resource people. In many cases those entities request information from the Facility Managers. Current drawings are a must. Linking those drawings to a database is a huge plus. Keeping track of the information a CAFM solution provides and having that information at your fingertips eliminates the need to hunt for information each time a request is made.

Having current and accurate information available is also helpful at inspection time. For example: one of the biggest fears of any Plant manager in a hospital is the annual inspection by JCAHO. The biggest issue for them is Safety and Risk Management. Things like Fire extinguisher locations and when were they last serviced. Pull boxes, fire exits...

Building systems that service a facility can be tracked. Fire Zones, Shutoff valves, what rooms are serviced by an HVAC unit, warranty information on major equipment and the condition of this equipment. Emergency Preparedness information such as Egress Routes, Emergency Exits, and Emergency Manager Locations can be tracked and reported on graphically and non-graphically.

Many hospitals are now competing with each other on the looks and comfort of the hospital. Aurora built a beautiful hospital in Green Bay that looks like a hotel. People judge based on looks (unfortunately). St Vincent paid us to develop the Condition Manager so they could rate and track areas that need to be updated. (Mostly public space)

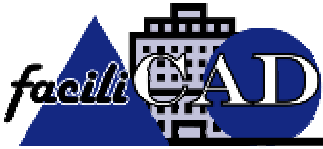
Accounting and Finance:

The accounting departments in any organization are required to report on the space that the facility has and how it is being used. They need to know how much space each organization is using and how much of the common space is allotted to those organizations. This can be a time consuming process come budget time. This information can be accessed at any using the faciliCAD Chargeback Reports. The Room Class and Type reports can identify how space is classified and how much space is allotted to those classifications.

Environmental Services:

Environmental Services calculates cleaning costs based on the area designated to different space types. For example: it takes longer to clean a bathroom than it does a corridor. The number of fixtures within a bathroom also comes into play. There is a formula that these numbers can be plugged into to make these calculations. In this economy, many are outsourcing these services. Having an accurate account of their space is extremely important.

Information Services or Information Technology:



IT or IS people track Computer equipment and the links to the servers. Things like Data Ports, Switchboxes and Computers. CAFM solutions would provide the ability to track computers that are assigned to employees. Move management can be simplified with a CAFM solution. Information can be provided as to when an employee moves and where they are moving to. Will equipment move with them? What is their extension and does it move with them? Data Ports are usually static so it is important to know the new data port associated with the employee once the move is complete.

Human Resources:

Human Resources track employees and the vast amount of information that is attached to an employee (Name, ID, Extension, location... Move management is huge for these people. With a CAFM solution information about entering, exiting and existing employees can be managed and tracked very easily. Employees can be located easily for emergency purposes.

Lease and Property Managers:

Property Managers can benefit from many features in a CAFM solution. A Tenant is charged for not only the actual space that they are leasing, but also a portion of the common space used to access and service that space. There are a number of useful reports used to track this space, but the main report is a chargeback report. This report calculates actual space and adds the common space for a chargeable area and the cost per sqft associated with this space.

Property Managers will also have many of the same needs as a Facility Manager when it comes to building systems that service a facility. Fire Zones, Shutoff valves, what rooms are serviced by an HVAC unit, warranty information on major equipment and the condition of this equipment. Emergency Preparedness information such as Egress Routes, Emergency Exits, Emergency Manager Locations, Fire Extinguishers and pull boxes can be tracked and reported on graphically and non-graphically.

Architects and Consultants:

Architects and Consultants can extend revenue and services beyond the design and construction phase and into the lifecycle of a building using a CAFM solution. All phases of a CAFM implementation (including Installation, management and delivery of data can be offered as an ongoing service. Because the Architects are the creators and owners of the CAD files, they can provide the clients with accurate data at any time. This information can be turned over to the client or managed from a accessible site.