

Introduction

What is the capital improvement plan or (CIP)?

The Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is a five year plan, that identifies planned capital projects and land acquisitions, including a schedule and financing structure for each project. The plan provides a link between campus strategic plans and the university's capital budget.

Why do we need a CIP?

It is important to have a CIP so that we can connect our projects to the institutional purpose and the direction for each campus. CIP's provide the direction for the next several years and a proposed financial plan. Having this plan also helps schedule projects and defines next steps. Having Board approval in advance for the System CIP provides an opportunity to be involved in the planning stages of the project and inform the CIP. This also provides the opportunity to have important discussions about the strategic direction of each institution and capital and deferred maintenance.

What should be included in the CIP?

The scheduling of capital facilities development projects (over \$4M) and land transactions, proposed cost and financing plans, and how this relates to the institutional master plan and enrollment plan should be a part of each project listed in the CIP. The CIP should also include major build-out construction, and capital renewal and deferred maintenance.

How do we obtain this information for UH?

It is important to collect capital construction priorities, land transactions and proposed financing plans for these activities from the following stakeholders, including:

1. Administration and Finance
2. Academic Affairs (academic plan)
3. Research
4. Student Affairs
5. Auxiliary Services