

Unison TruePlanning® Equipping Government Agencies with Cost Confidence.

Estimate with Confidence

Where precision, accountability, and efficiency are paramount, TruePlanning is the premier parametric cost estimation solution for U.S. Federal Agencies. Whether managing software development, IT infrastructure, or large-scale defense projects, TruePlanning equips agencies with the tools to strengthen project planning, enhance decision-making, and manage costs effectively.



The Trusted Standard in Government Cost Estimation



Why Federal Agencies Choose TruePlanning

Civilian Agencies: Provides credible cost estimates for software, cloud, and IT operations, supporting budget adherence and timely project completion. TruePlanning aligns investments with federal mandates, improves vendor accountability, and ensures compliance with guidelines like FAR and OMB Circular A-11.

Department of Defense: Delivers defensible cost estimates for defense acquisition programs, cybersecurity, and automated information systems across their lifecycles. TruePlanning enhances readiness through predictive analysis, informs data-driven decisions, and improves risk identification and mitigation. It also promotes cost transparency, satisfies reporting requirements, and enables efficient resource allocation.

Real-World Applications



Defense Acquisition Programs

Enables detailed cost forecasting for weapon systems across the entire life cycle, supports Science and Technology initiatives as well.

Space Exploration

Supports lifecycle cost estimation for satellite systems, spacecraft, and interplanetary missions.

IT Modernization

Integrates diverse cost models into a unified framework for consistent and efficient estimation across all projects.

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Unison TruePlanning played a crucial role in creating the first Synthetic Training Environment Information System (STE-IS) cost estimate for PEO STRI and the Army in 2019. Developing a Life Cycle Cost Estimate (LCCE) for a training system that had never been implemented across the entire DoD was a challenging task for the PEO STRI cost team. Fortunately, with full support from the TruePlanning subject matter experts (SMEs), we were able to develop a defensible cost position that ensured proper resourcing for this significant effort. Fast forward to the present, the STE-IS cost estimate from 2019, when compared to an updated estimate in 2024 that includes actual cost data from various contractors involved in the STE-IS effort, shows less than a 5% difference. This demonstrates the effectiveness and reliability of the TruePlanning application.

PEO STRI Cost Division Chief





Value Delivered to Federal Agencies

TruePlanning improves budget accuracy through reliable and defensible estimates, reducing overruns and ensuring fiscal responsibility. It enhances program oversight by providing traceable cost documentation, supporting audits and inquiries. TruePlanning aligns cost estimates with strategic goals, minimizes waste, maximizes efficiency, and optimizes taxpayer dollars.

Partner with Unison

Unison delivers predictive models, data analytics, and insights for efficient hardware and software cost estimates, leveraging 50 years of rigorous research in cost estimation to help federal government organizations make informed decisions and achieve budget clarity. By integrating TruePlanning into their operations, agencies can achieve greater cost efficiency, strategic alignment, and program success.



Advanced Lifecycle Costing

Supports total cost of ownership analysis, from development to decommissioning, integrating hardware, software, and personnel costs for comprehensive estimates.



Optimized for Software and IT Estimation

Provides detailed cost models for agile, DevSecOps, and waterfall development, accounting for software reuse, integration complexities, and security requirements.



Risk and Uncertainty Analysis

Identifies potential cost drivers and uncertainties early to mitigate risks, providing confidence levels for estimates to aid budgetary decision-making.



Alignment with Federal Standards

Adheres to best practices outlined in the GAO Cost Estimating and Assessment Guide, NASA Cost Estimating Handbook, and ICEAA CEBoK.