



2 DEADLY PROJECT APPROACHES

LEFT-BRAIN

CONTRACTOR-DRIVEN APPROACH

Contractors win jobs by having lowest numbers. As a result, most builders will make builder-grade assumptions about your project then change order the upgrades.



RIGHT-BRAIN

DESIGN-DRIVEN APPROACH

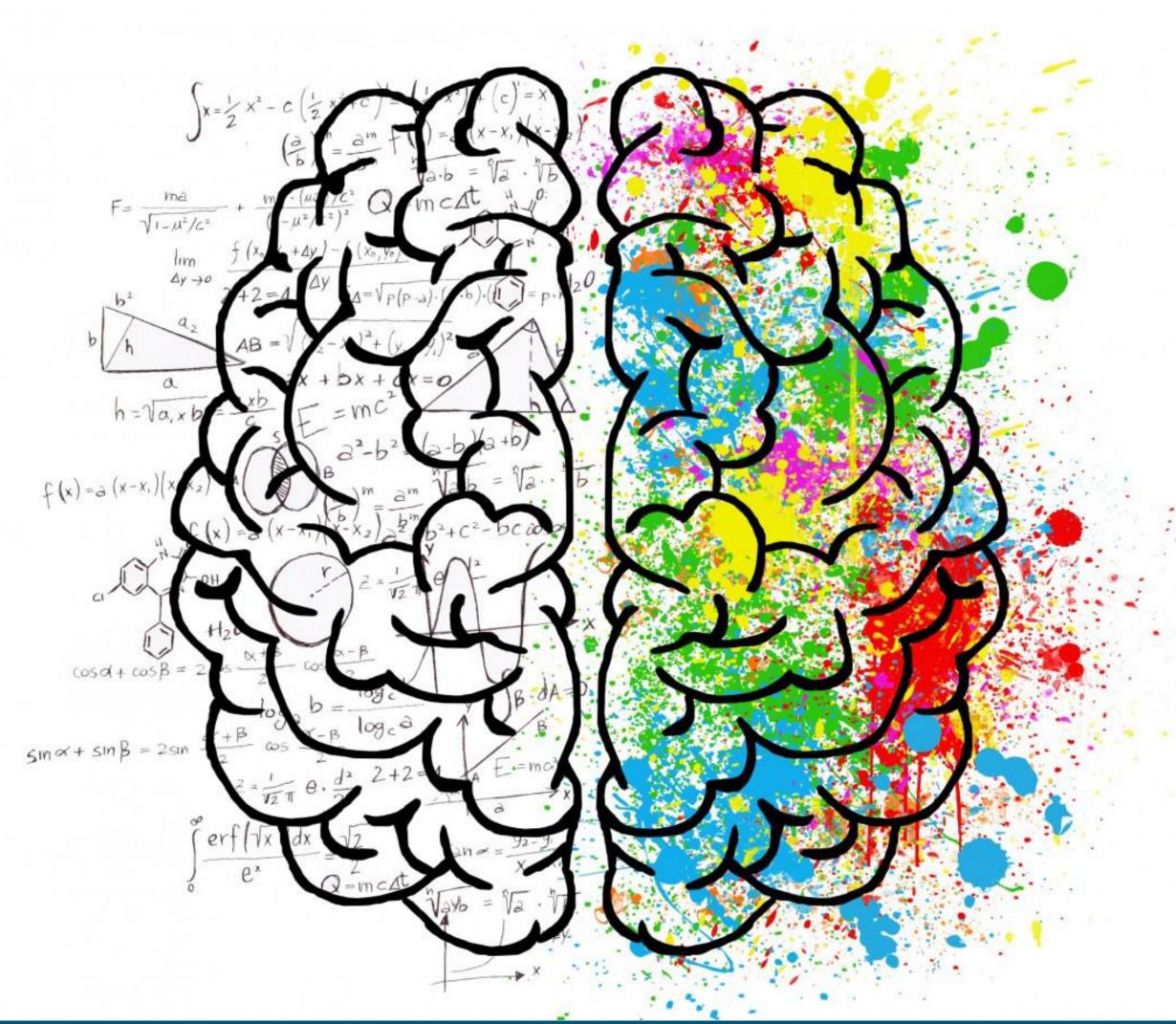
Designers win jobs by offering the most creative and most attractive solutions to their clients. When the project is "design-driven" there is a danger of a project bust.

THE BEST PROJECT APPROACH

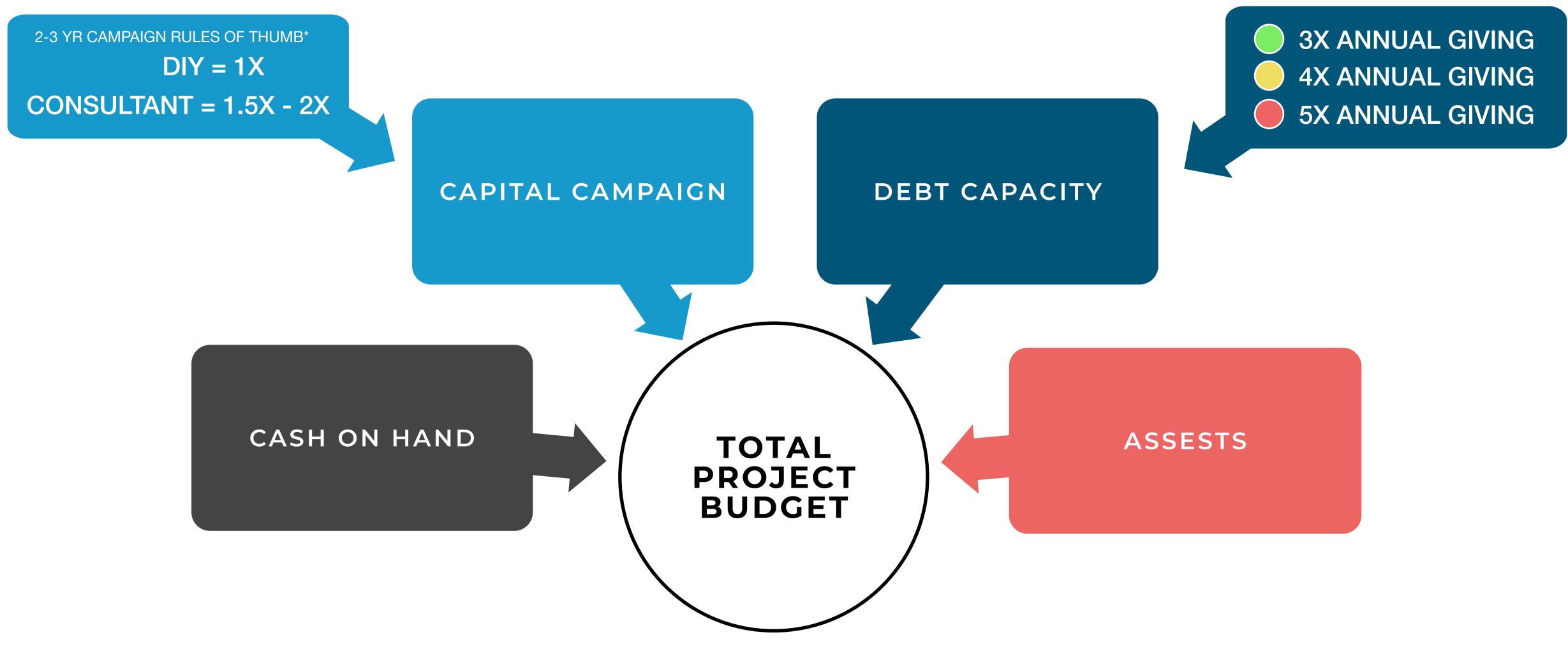
TRUE COLLABORATION

BETWEEN THE LEFT & RIGHT BRAIN AND TARGETS YOUR PROJECT BUDGET

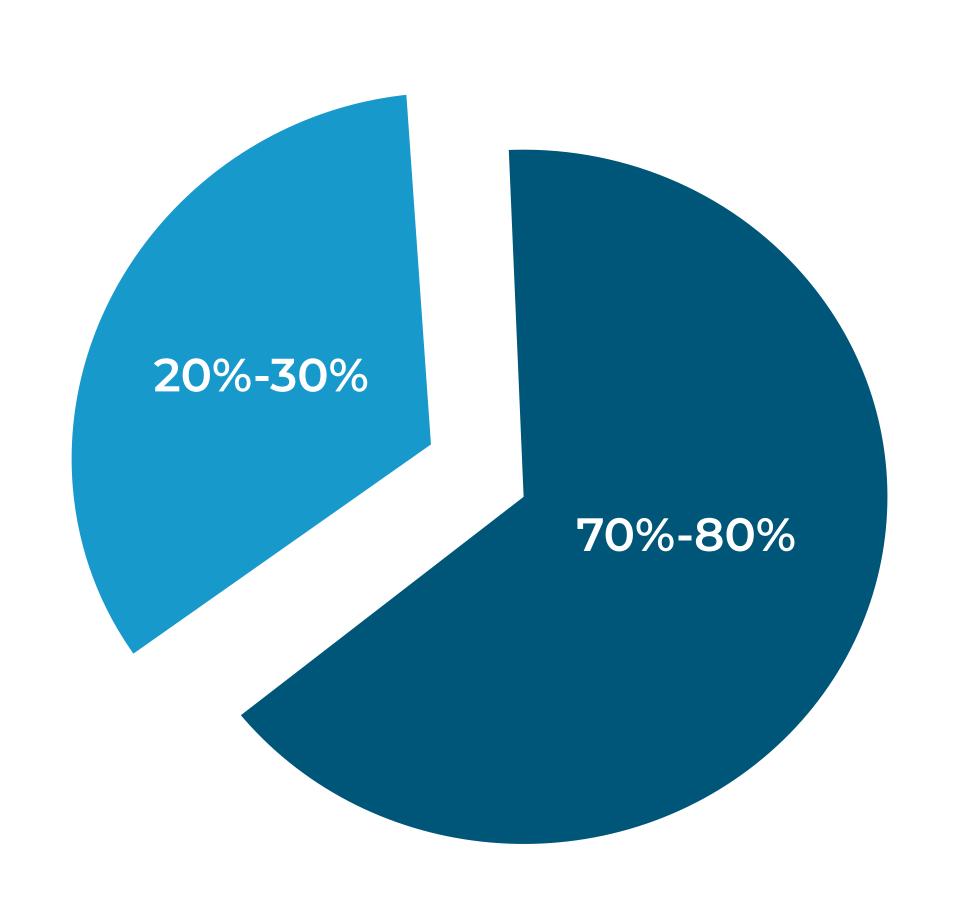
When a project starts with the coordinated efforts of both the design and contractor, your project has the best hope of staying on budget.



WHAT CAN WE AFFORD?



*Years since last campaign can effect these rules of thumb.



THE TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET



- Design Costs
- Permit Fees
- Consultant fees
- Engineering Fees
- Furniture, Fixtures &Equipment
- Audio, Video & Lighting
- WiFi & Security
- Insurance
- Wayfinding & Graphics

HARD COST

AKA: "CONSTRUCTION BUDGET"

The direct construction cost associated with the construction of the project.

Owner should also have a 5%-10% project contingency on reserve.



ANALYZE YOUR ALIGNMENT

WARNING: always rely on trained professionals to budget your project.

MINOR RENOVATION

Updating finishes of space without removing walls, ceilings, etc.

\$30/\$70sf

MEDIUM RENOVATION

Updating finishes
of space and
removing just a
few walls,
ceilings, etc.

\$70/\$150sf

MAJOR RENOVATION

Major renovation of facility that includes moving walls, ceilings, etc.

\$150/\$180sf

NEW CONSTRUCTION

Ground up construction on a green field site.

\$180/\$350sf

SITE WORK

Site work could include parking, sidewalks, or water management.

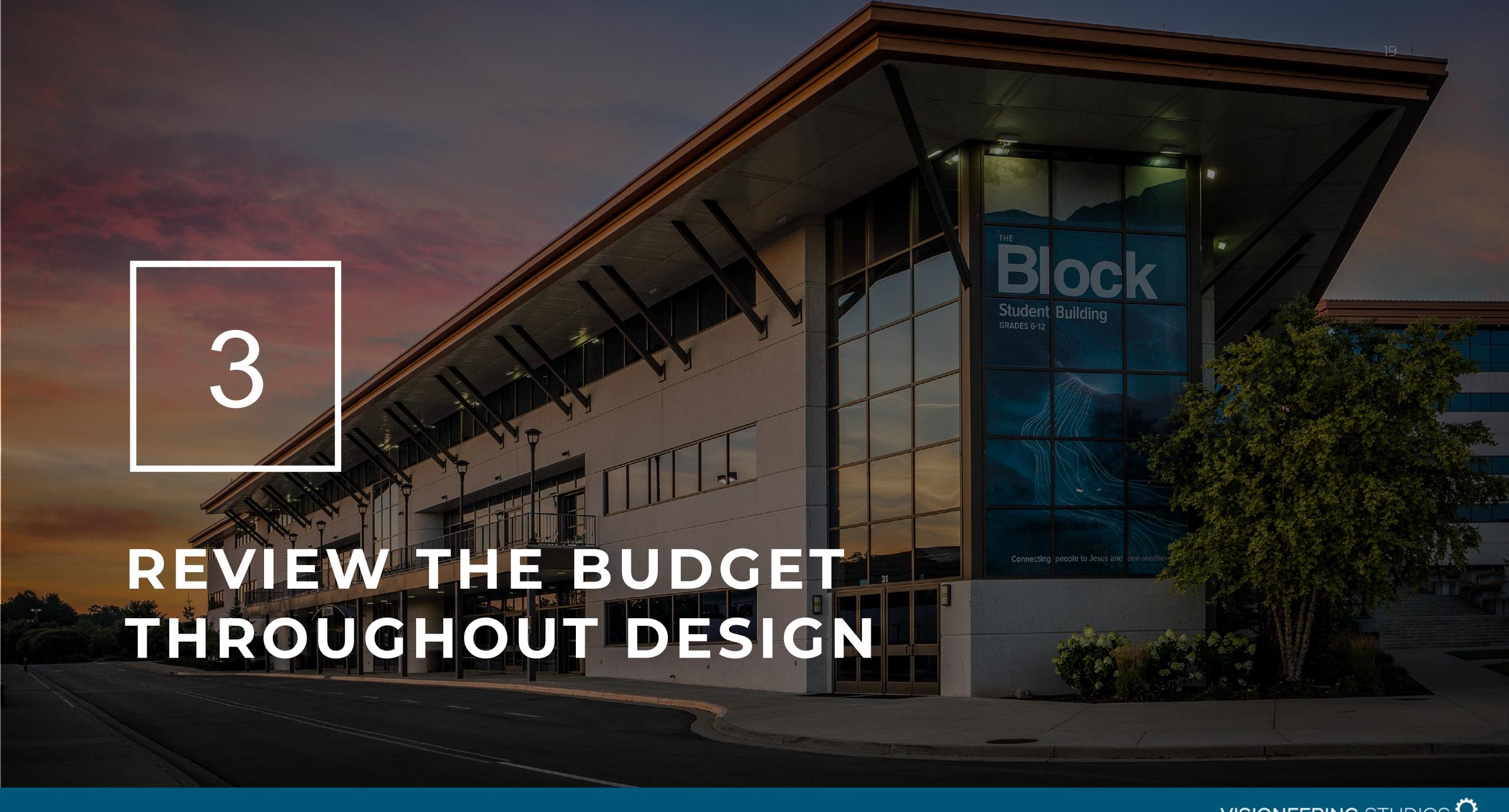
TBD

NOTE: Increase SF cost for Restrooms, Kitchens, structural modifications. Mechanical Unit upgrades are separate from budget cost. Unforeseen code upgrades will increase if you need to do ADA, Electrical upgrades or Fire Safety. Owner's contingency should be at least 5%-10%.

PROJECT ESCALATION

BUDGETS SHOULD ALWAYS ACCOUNT FOR ESCALATION (MIN 3%) BASED ON DURATION FROM ESTIMATE TO START.











THE FOUR KINDS OF PROJECT BUDGETS

- ROUGH ORDER OF MAGNITUDE BUDGET A preliminary estimate usually based on square footage.
- UNIT/QUANITY ESTIMATE An estimate usually performed by a professional budget estimator.
- SUBCONTRACTOR ESTIMATE An estimate compiled from each trade; usually performed by a general contractor
- BID ESTIMATE An estimate compiled from competitive trade bids obtained by a general contractor; often the final price.



PRE-PROJECT CASHFLOW COSTS

TYPICALLY, FEES ARE DETERMINED BY A SLIDING-SCALE BASED ON SIZE AND SCOPE OF THE PROJECT



\$10K-\$50K

MASTER PLAN & CONCEPT DESIGN

Engage potential architects for concept design pricing information to clarify expected costs.



\$10K-\$100K

GENEROSITY INITIATIVE & LENDING RESEARCH

Engage potential consultant for campaign pricing information to clarify expected costs.

BURDENED ARCHITECTURAL FEES

THESE AVERAGE SLIDING-SCALE BURDENED FEES ARE
CALCULATED FROM THE "HARD COST" / CONSTRUCTION BUDGET







Burdened fee include architectural design, interior design and engineering for structural engineering, mechanical, electrical, plumbing.

PRE-CONSTRUCTION CASH-FLOW

PROJECT	M1-M3	M 4	M5	M6	M7	M8	M9	M10	M11	M12
PRE-DESIGN										
SCHEMATIC DESIGN		5								
DESIGN DEVELOPMENT						\$				
CONSTRUCTION DOCS										
CASH-FLOW NEEDED	PRE-DESIGN COSTS	30% BURDENED ARCH FEE			30% BURDENED ARCH FEE			30% BURDENED ARCH FEE		

