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## Sustainable Solutions: Addressing Deferred Maintenance on Your Campus











Setting the Stage

Sustainable Deferred Maintenance Approach

Case Study: Brown University

Opportunities for Your Campus & ESP Support

# What is the biggest challenge your institution faces regarding deferred maintenance?

### Setting the Stage Common Challenges



- ✓ Aging Infrastructure
- ✓ Resource Allocation
- ✓ Complexity of Upgrades
- ✓ Backlog of Maintenance



# When does your institution typically address deferred maintenance issues?

# Deferred maintenance & asset renewal is not just a cost, it's also an opportunity.



# Adopt the Right Process



- 1. Start with a deferred maintenance need/project
- 2. Take a holistic look at other outcomes / energy systems around
  - a. Resiliency, OPEX, GHG emissions, comfort, disruption.
- 3. Identify 1-2 alternatives that add value
- 4. Compare using the right tools:
  - a. Life-Cycle Cost analysis
  - b. Choosing By Advantages decision making matrix

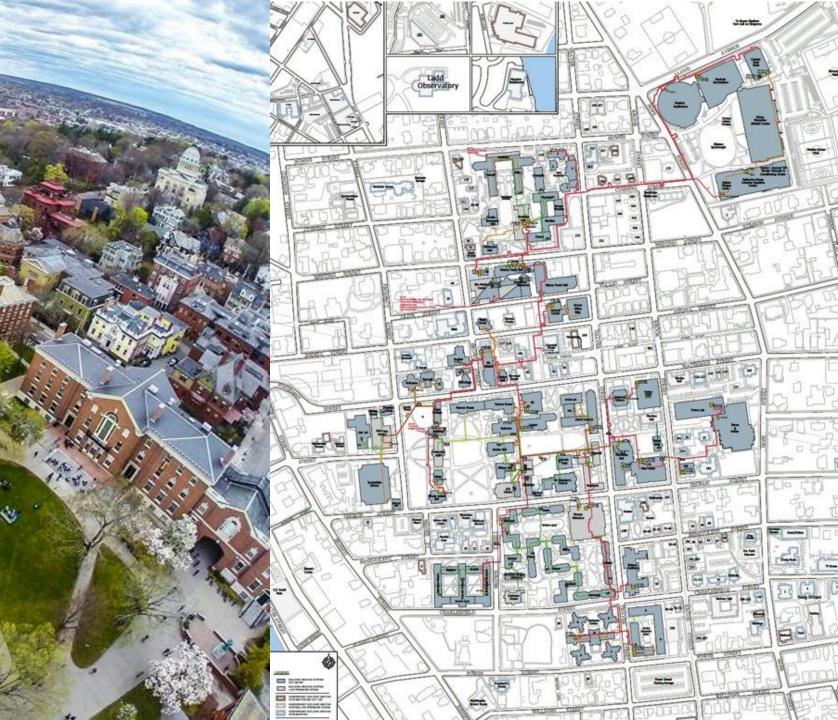
## **Choosing by Advantages Decision Matrix**

Factors	Weight	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description		Scope #1	Scope #2
Life-Cycle Cost	X%	Focus on <b>comparative advantage</b> provided by each project. Give score (out of 5) for each factor.	
GHG Emissions	X%		
Comfort gains	X%		
Ease of O&M	X%		
Disruption	X%		
Resiliency	X%		
	100%	Weighted average	Weighted average

# Brown University

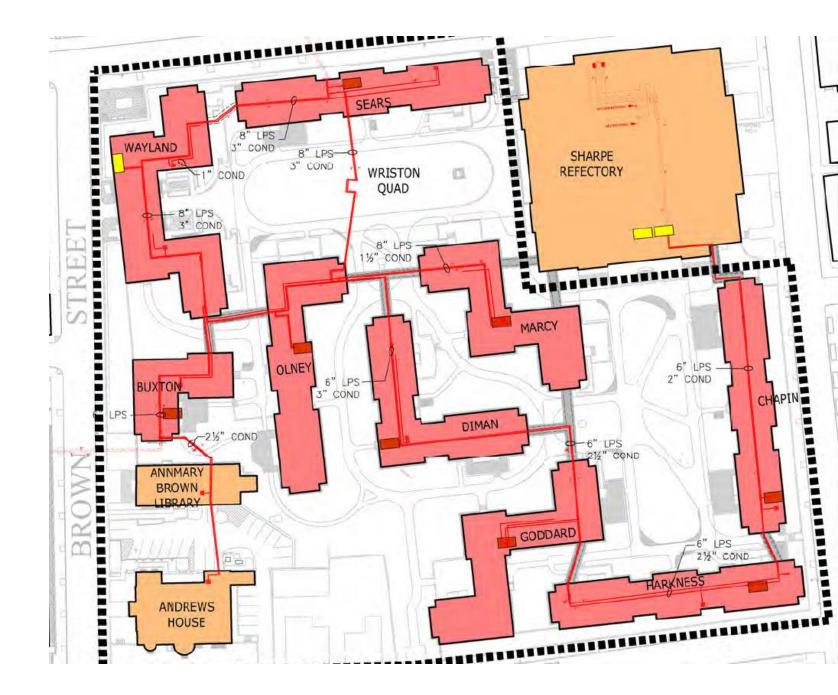
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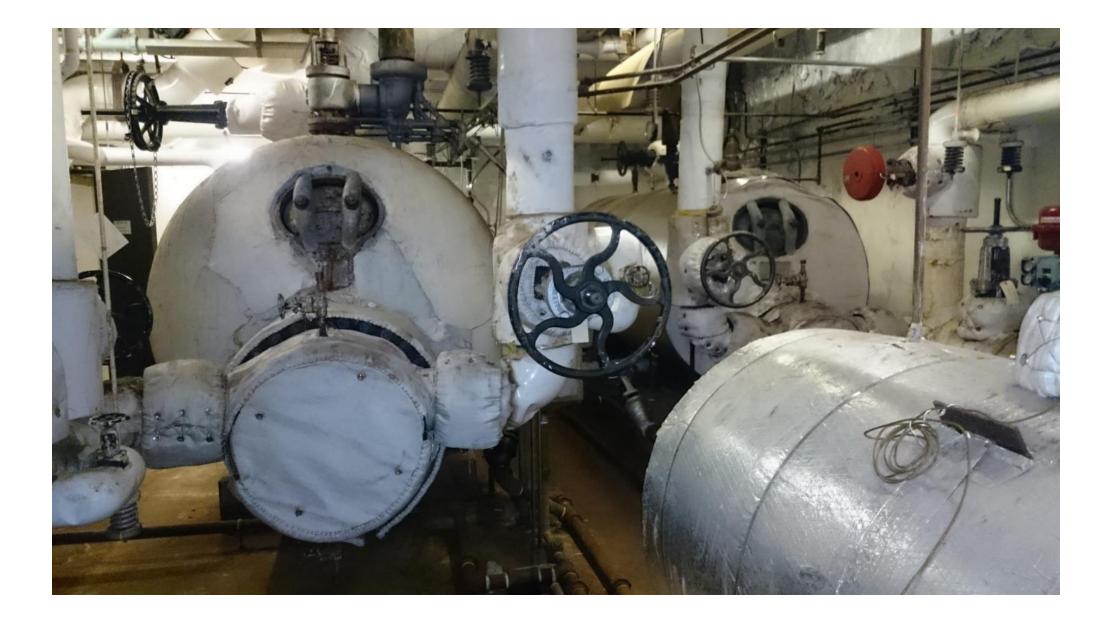




#### **Dormitory Quad** Initial Conditions

- ✓ 2 low pressure secondary steam loops
- Buildings already on hot water
- ✓ Heat exchangers end of useful life
- Similar needs on other secondary loops throughout campus

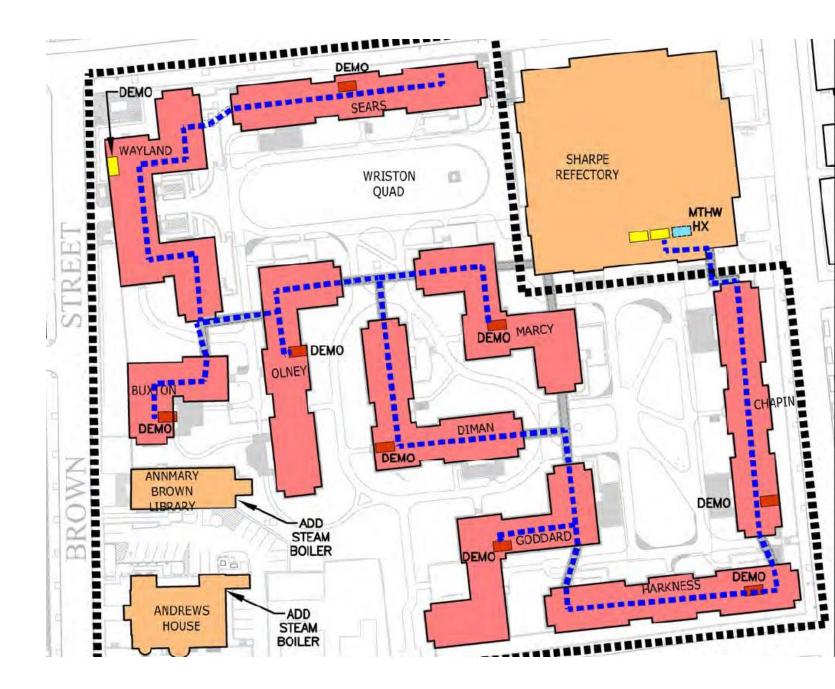




### **Dormitory Quad**

Base Project

- New hot water secondary distribution
- ✓ \$4M budget



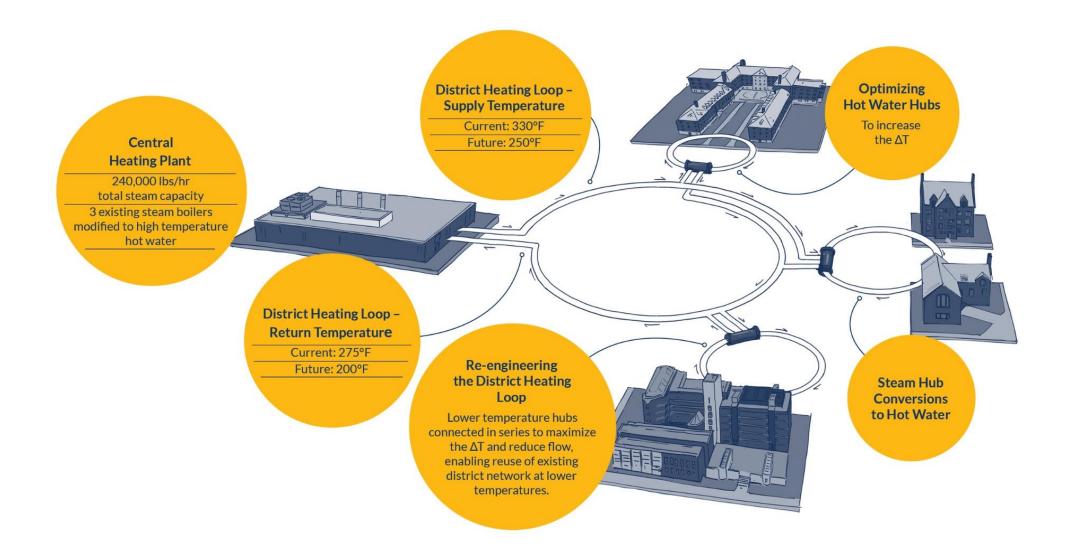
#### Holistic look at other adjacent energy systems

- ✓ Central heating plant: lots of inefficiencies
- ✓ Campus-wide district heating loop: lots of inefficiencies
- ✓ Total deferred maintenance budget: \$17M (funded) with even more DM needs (unfunded)

#### Holistic look at other needs / desired outcomes

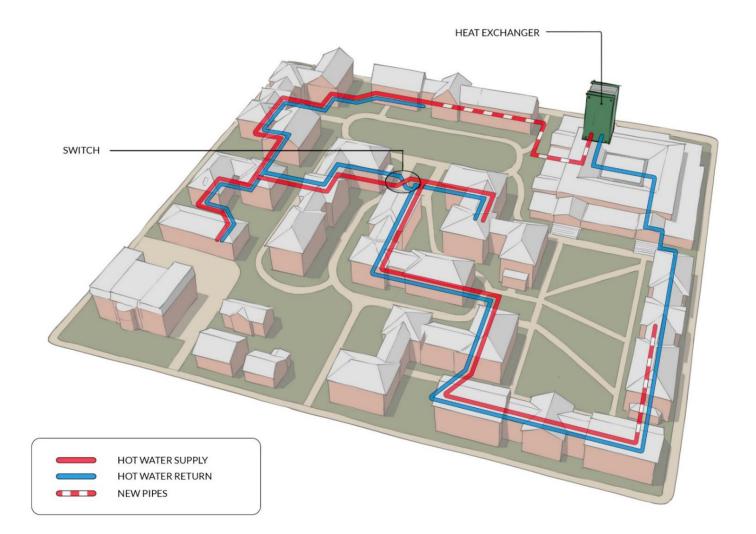
Stakeholders	Need / Desired Outcome	Foregone benefits
Plant manager	Improve ease of O&M at central heating plant	
VP Facilities	Reduce energy costs	Potential savings estimated at \$1M/yr
Dir Sustainability	Reduce GHG emissions: 42% reduction target (about half way there)	

#### **Deferred Maintenance Need → Opportunity**



#### **Key Innovations to Reduce Costs**

- Validated condition of existing piping
- Mix of installing new and reusing existing piping
- ✓ This residential quad only: reduced cost from \$4M to \$2.5M



#### **CBA Example: Brown University (RI)**

Factors	Weight	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description		Piping / heat exchangers replacement	Holistic upgrade of district heating system
CAPEX		\$17M	\$25M
Energy Savings		-	\$1M/yr savings
Subsidies		\$0	\$1M
Life-Cycle Cost / ROI	60%	4	5
Disruption	10%	3	4
Ease of O&M	10%	3	4
GHG Reduction	20%	2	5
Total	100%	3.4	4.8

#### **CBA Example: Vassar College (NY)**

Factors	Weight	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description		One-for-one chiller replacements	Heat Recovery Chiller
CAPEX	20%	4	3
OPEX Savings	30%	3	5
Ease of Building O&M	10%	5	3
Ease of Plant O&M	15%	3	5
GHG Reduction	25%	2	5
Total	100%	3.2	4.4

#### **CBA Example: Adelphi University (NY)**

Factors	Weight	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description		Replace: lab fume hoods valves + exhaust air strobic fans	Convert system to VAV + heat recovery between exhaust and fresh air intake
CAPEX	40%	4	3
OPEX Reduction	30%	3	5
GHG Reduction	10%	2	5
Comfort & Lab Safety	20%	4	5
Total	100%	3.5	4.2

#### **CBA Example: DePauw University (IN)**

Factors	Weight	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description		Repair steam system (heat exchangers, steam traps, piping, boilers)	Steam to hot water conversion
CAPEX	40%	4	3
OPEX	20%	3	5
Disruption	10%	3	3
Ease of O&M	10%	3	4
Enable future decarb.	10%	1	5
Comfort & Safety	10%	3	5
Total	100%	3.2	3.9

#### **Other recent examples in universities/colleges**

Factors	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description	Replace chillers like for like	Install new chillers + thermal storage
CAPEX		
Inflation Reduction Act subsidy		Because of thermal storage
OPEX Savings		
GHG Reduction		

#### **Other recent examples in universities/colleges**

Factors	Base Project	Alternative
Project Description	Replace window AC units + Replace peripheral heating	Reuse existing hydronic network, install new heat pumps in each room for simultaneous heating/cooling
CAPEX		
Subsidies		Help pay for increased CAPEX
OPEX Savings		More efficient heating/cooling
Ease of O&M	Two systems	One system
GHG Reduction		Offsets boilers gas consumption

# **Energy Sustainability Program** Support & Funding Options

# **ESP Support**

#### How our team can help



- Strategic review of your deferred maintenance / capital renewal needs
- ✓ Adoption of the right processes and tools
- ✓ Obtaining alignment with stakeholders
- ✓ Implementation and financing of added value DM projects



# How do you plan to fund your deferred maintenance projects over the next 5 years?

# Funding Options First American Education Finance

First American is committed to helping our clients progress toward a carbon neutral/low-carbon campus.

#### **Common Projects**

- Deferred Maintenance
- Energy Efficiency
- Renewable Energy
- Clean Transportation

#### **Customized Structures\***

- Enhanced Terms
- Leases and Loans
- PPAs and ESAs

#### **Independent Capital**

- Attractive Alternative to ESCO Financing
- Vendor & Tech Agnostic
- Support Sustainability Plan

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# **Program Resources**

For Further Questions on Next Steps

#### **Program Web Page:**

https://www.thecoalition.us/energy-sustainability-program

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