Are bad habits costing you money?

A few Brightly ideas to help stretch your manufacturing organization’s operational budget.

Get more from the data you already have

Have you ever lost sleep wondering if there’s a better way to go about facilities maintenance or what you would do if your best worker won the lottery and quit tomorrow?

Opportunities for Manufacturers to Make Improvements

**Do baked-in inefficiencies slow your operations down?**

Right now, it’s hard to find people with the right skills, so many are doing more with less. So your team may be spending too much time figuring out what projects to tackle and keeping things organized. The result can be a never ending backlog, misordered supplies and parts, and general inefficiency for your people who are already overloaded.

**Is your inventory a mess?**

For many manufacturing teams, it’s a challenge to know not only what’s available but where it’s stored. With the cost of parts, materials and shipping only set to rise, your inventory management could improve with a centralized system that ensures you can find and use what you have so you only order what you need, as well as eliminate costly last-minute part orders with rushed-rate price tags.

**Are backlog blues a familiar tune?**

Do you have a seemingly endless list of lower priority items unrelated to production? When little things are not make or break, they don’t always get addressed right away — or at all, which can have devastating consequences down the line. Your maintenance team needs a way to capture, organize, tag and assign backlog projects to help avoid “hey you” distractions to ensure all the small stuff gets covered, without taking away from your company’s biggest priorities. With the right system, your backlog items can be worked into the right-size gaps in a maintenance worker’s schedule so they don’t get put off or piled up.

**Can you put down the paper?**

If your team still relies on paper systems, post-its, whiteboards, spreadsheets, and the know-how of a few longtime employees, you could be setting yourself up for failure. Whether it’s blocking your full visibility of what’s in progress, complete, or needing to get started or time wasted printing each day’s tasks off without being able to record that they’re finished, it might be time to put down the paper and take your task and asset management digital.
The right tool for many jobs

If your team flies by the seat of their pants or has trouble keeping track of what’s what, a CMMS can centralize your operational data, maintenance tasks, and more to deliver time and cost savings for your manufacturing organization.

Lean on a CMMS to:

**Boost efficiency**
- Organize what’s due today, work orders, backlog, and inventory
- Use mobile app on the go to save time
- Schedule more efficient vehicle usage

**Manage inventory**
- Know what you have and where it is located
- Use QR codes for organization
- Plan bulk orders to save on shipping costs

**Beat backlog**
- Create a request system that benefits your whole organization
- Assign priorities and time estimates to projects
- Avoid small issues that spiral out of control

**Go mobile**
- Centralize operational data for easy access, anytime
- Give technicians the on-the-go info they need
- Stop losing vital information on pieces of paper

Powerful Brightly solutions help manufacturers with the facilities, maintenance and operational tasks their teams handle. Our products are designed to simplify every last detail with easy-to-use software that allows you to make data-driven decisions that will increase efficiency, decrease waste and cut costs.

**Interested in learning more from an expert?**

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