

Suggestions of the Month From July 2003 - June 2005

Listed below are ideas honored as "Suggestion of the Month."

At each Commission meeting, members choose the suggestion which stands out for either its potential for highest savings; most innovative approach to saving time, dollars, or improving customer service; most thorough description of the solution and possible savings to the agenc(ies); or a combination of all three.

SUGG #	NAME and IMPLEMENTING AGENCY	ESTIMATED SAVINGS
15106	Rogers/Herron, Department of Corrections <i>Switch to "Cozy Blankets" as standard issue for inmates instead of current wool or cotton blankets (6/05).</i>	\$33,435
15122	Gary Delco, ODOT / Region 1 <i>Designed a post puller for use by 2 employees to pull posts by themselves, where previously it took 3 workers and a front-end loader (3/05).</i>	\$6,650
15026	Heather Archambault, ODOT / Driver & Motor Vehicle Services <i>Access the Polk Motor Vehicle Registration Manual and Polk Title Book Revision Service via internet instead of purchasing these books each year (12/04).</i>	\$770
14938	Sam Coy, DHS / Health Services <i>Audit Kaiser pharmacy claims over past several years to attempt to recover funds inappropriately paid because of erroneous billing procedures (9/04).</i>	\$480,000
14635	Bill Fujii, Department of Water Resources <i>Provide other options to printing water law volumes so often; (summarize 2001 changes on single sheet cross-referenced to page # of Volume 1; provide CD version in addition to web site; reduce # of Volume 2 copies printed) (6/04).</i>	\$700
15000	Vickie Ames, Department of Consumer & Business Services <i>Discontinue notarizing and certified mailing of Reconsideration Record copies, and simply provide a certification statement to meet requirement of sending a "certified copy" (4/04).</i>	\$7,304
14912	Audrey Nix, DHS / Children, Adults & Families <i>Compare Department of Corrections inmate lists posted daily on the internet with OHP-eligible client lists for possible savings from identifying inmates who should no longer be receiving benefits due to incarceration (3/04).</i>	\$234,240
14887	Joel Campf, Department of Justice <i>Work with US Postal Service to ensure that only addressee signs for restricted delivery certified mail for service of legal process, and obtain refunds for improperly delivered mail (9/03).</i>	\$1,150
14770	Ishida/Smith, Department of Corrections <i>Issue two pair of BDU pants (\$16 each) to staff instead of two pair of uniform pants (\$48 each), as BDUs are more durable and cost effective (8/03).</i>	\$134,976
14798	Richard Mitchell, Department of Justice <i>Manually delete multiple receipts for the same case number and combine payments into only one receipt line (7/03).</i>	\$76,349
14889	Linda Kosmoski, Oregon State Police <i>Eliminate secondary payroll system (DPAY) being used by OSP, which fed into the OSPS system, but had become unnecessary and a cumbersome duplication of effort (7/03).</i>	\$41,862