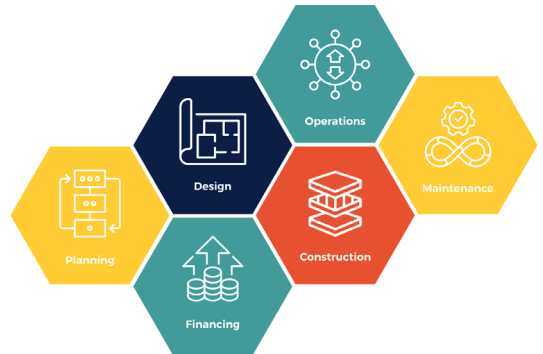


Public-Private Partnerships: The Basics

What is a P3?

A public-private partnership (P3) is an infrastructure delivery model in which government bundles planning, design, construction, operations, and maintenance into a single procurement.



How can P3s benefit the public?

- ✓ **Efficiency and cost savings.** P3s enable governments to save time and money by streamlining procurements and efficiently allocating risk.
 - P3s use **streamlined project delivery** (design, construction, financing, operations and maintenance), saving time and money.
 - P3s are designed to **effectively allocate risk** to the party that is most capable of managing the risk, such as assigning design and construction responsibility to a single vendor.
 - P3s create incentives to produce **better, longer lasting infrastructure**. Government has little incentive to maintain their facilities. P3s create accountability for private vendors to effectively design, maintain and operate public facilities.
- ✓ **Enhanced capability.** P3s enable governments to procure infrastructure at a lower cost to the public and deliver projects that would not otherwise be financially possible.
 - P3s allow governments to **leverage public assets** to create value for the private sector. This value can be used to reduce the public cost of infrastructure.
 - Public infrastructure can anchor development and attract business activity. P3s enable governments to capitalize on private development and **enhance community appeal** through mixed-use development.
 - P3s allow governments to effectively work together to **bundle multiple projects** and deliver projects that cross jurisdictional boundaries.