

## The big decision

The organization must first decide and commit to begin the journey...



#### Short term goals:

- Drastically improve the customer experience by designing, measuring and improving the processes
- Identify several "quick win" actions that can be taken while driving out future strategies and plans



#### Long term objectives:

- Reduce transaction process time
- Improve customer experience
- Increase volume of business
- Reduce operating cost
- Improve employee satisfaction
- Higher profitability <u>is the result</u>

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### Where does the journey begin?



### What are the critical factors for success?

- Leadership support -GM is a very outspoken champion of Lean, provides political alignment
- Motivation organizational agreement that we must evolve from the "we've always done it this way" mentality
- People willing to go on the journey, curious and open to the process
- Process landscape moved to defining our processes as core, support and management







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## What is Lean 6 sigma?



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## Some Definitions...



- What is "Quality" defined by the customer
- "The degree to which a product or service will meet the expectations of the customer"

### What is "Value" ?

• Value as a customer sees it (willing to pay for) or is a differentiator

#### What is a "Value Stream" ?



• the path across departments that a customer must go through to get a product or service

#### What is "Value Stream Mapping" (VSM)



• The end-to-end process improvement will always yield a better result than the improvement of the individual parts of the chain

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# Value Stream Transformation Cycle



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## **VSM Outputs**



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# 2 years, 6 VSMs = 109 Working Groups

Q1 Demand Service	Total Working Groups:	34	Washing Crowns
Start: 1-Feb-2017	Working Groups completed (100% completion):	25	completed (100%
End: 12-Mar-2018	Working Groups not yet started:	1	completion):
	Working Groups started (10-95% completion):	8	Wasking Crowns not yet
Q2 MRO Sales	Total Working Groups:	15	started:
Start: 22-May-2017	Working Groups completed (100% completion):	10 ~	
End: TBA – postponed to 2019	Working Groups not yet started:	1	Working Groups started
	Working Groups started (10-95% completion):	4	(10-95% completion):
Q2 SST Proposal Process	Total Working Groups:	16	
Start: 6-Jun-2017	Working Groups Completed (100% completion):	15	
End: 2 Aug 2017	Working Groups not yet started:	0	
End: 2-Aug-2017	Working Groups started (10-95% completion):	1	-
Q1 Municipal Business Process	Total Working Groups:	12	
Start: 8-Sep-2017	Working Groups Completed (100% completion):	4	
Fad: 12 Nov 2018	Working Groups not yet started:	0	
End: 13-NOV-2018	Working Groups started (10-95% completion):	8	2
Q1 In-House Calibration and Repair	Total Working Groups:	17	
Start: 5-Eeb-2018	Working Groups completed (100% completion):	15	
	Working Groups not yet started:	0	
End: 19-Jul-2018	Working Groups started (10-95% completion):	2	-
	Total Working Groups:	15	
<u>Q1 Project Execution</u>	Working Groups completed (100% completion):	4	
Start: 29-Mar-2018	Working Groups not yet started:	0	
End: 31-Oct-2018	Working Groups started (10-95% completion):	11	5

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## What have we accomplished so far?

- Upskilled certain roles (Project Coordinator) and created new roles (Calibration Specialist / Tools Manager, Purchaser, Quote & Order Coordinator, V-PM)
- Created another lane on the MRO highway "Simple Quote Process" customers get quote within 1 hour (vs. previous quote turn arounds of 2-3 days)
- Reduced touch points and manual documents (manual invoices, shipping docs) for Instrument Project Execution VSM
- Updated other related support processes that resulted in direct savings (Product Returns process savings of ~ CAD\$150K in 2017 alone)
- Improved turn around time for Project Quotations from 12WDs to 7WDs
- Automated the Workshop Calibration and Repair process to enable transparency of status to both external and internal customers, as well as committed to turn-around times (expectation management)
- Enabled the use of Tasks to manage the Municipal project statuses and standardized communication with Accounting, Logistics and Service
- Reduced response time of Demand Service (breakdown) customer calls from 8-12 hours to around 2 hours

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# Final Thoughts and Questions ?



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