# Measuring Performance: metrics and dashboards



### Why Measure Performance?

Measuring Performance allows us to:

- 1. More clearly understand how day to day activities are helping the department achieve medium- and short-term goals and long-term outcomes.
- 2. Improves overall transparency and accountability
- 3. Helps aid strategic planning processes
- 4. Helps reduce waste by encouraging the elimination or modification of programs that are not properly meeting targeted metrics.



## Metrics, Strategic goals, outcomes

- Goals represent the steps (both shortand medium- term) that will eventually lead to desired programmatic and departmental <u>outcomes</u>
- Metrics are ways to quantify progress towards goals and objectives



#### **Additional Definitions**

- A <u>performance measure</u> or <u>metric</u> is a quantifiable measure of the activities performed by a department or one of its subunits
- <u>Performance monitoring</u> is the active process of collecting multiple data points and using that data to make process improvements, improving outcomes.
- There are several types of metrics:
  - Input
  - Outputs
  - Efficiency Statistics
  - Outcome Measures
  - Qualitative/Descriptive Metrics



#### **Review of Departmental Dashboards**

- Land Inventory Display
- Outreach metrics
- Sport Tourism Impact
- Strategic Plan Dash
- ROWs/Medians

